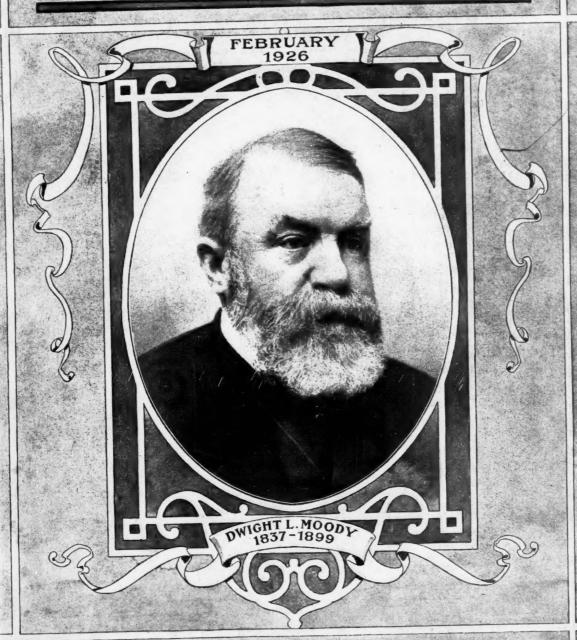
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The brother had caused his subscription to the Monthly to lapse, but renewed it again. Why? He does not hesitate to tell us why, and it makes good advertising. He was ill when he gave up his subscription, physically and spiritually ill, but now he says: "I have more life of the Spirit and a better knowledge of the natural means of living for health and strength. I thought I should now be better able to digest the addresses and other things in the Monthly. I thought also that as I had changed perhaps it had changed, and I think it has. I do not remember seeing so many interesting paragraphs in it before.'

That's it! None of our subscribers would ever think of giving up the MONTHLY if they were in all round good health. Good, bright, interesting things are in its pages all the time, but it takes a well person to see them. Our steady readers have sound minds in

sound bodies.

The clerical subscriber above referred to, sends us another letter and gets back to "Truth Illuminated." "If a preacher

has enough illustrations that To Stop are really good, he doesn't Bawling! have to bawl so. Bawling takes the life out of me, but I have to do it if I can't get enough interesting matter for my sermons. There must be something powerful about a sermon. With some I notice it is language (leaves), with others sound (bawling), with others interesting matter. To get plenty of that requires diligence and to be wide awake. I used seven illustrations yesterday. I heard a good illustration over the radio before I went to church in the evening. I believe there are plenty of good illustrations. thing is to get them."

This brother takes no less than thirteen periodicals at present, and searches through them all for illustrations! He liked our last November issue very much and he promised that if we keep up that kind of good work "it is not likely that my subscription will again lapse."
"Please more good illustrations," is the

last word we heard from this brother.

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The Christian Workers Bureau of the Moody Bible Institute sends us a letter from another cleric. This brother is seeking a change of location

and is filling out a question-Another Kind of naire for the bureau. He Preacher says (italics ours):
"You ask concerning the

source of my Bible training and I reply, the Moody Bible Institute. why I am so in love with the Institute. When I entered it the Bible was rather a closed book to me. It was there I came to really know the Lord. I have often said I would not trade my years there for John D.'s millions. I have been able to continue my Bible study since leaving the Institute through books most of which I bought while there. I have a few hundred of the very best—Griffith Thomas, Gae-belein, Sir Robert Anderson, Blanch-ard, Scofield, Orr, Torrey, etc., etc. Then I believe the Bible explains

itself. I have a habit of rising awhile before the rest of the family and reading the Bible and putting down notes. I have been through the New Testament twenty-four times and will soon finish the Old Testament for the fifth time. It was at the Institute I learned what books to buy and it was there I received the impulse to arise early in the morning to read my Bible. All of this has been a great blessing in my life. Another thing I praise the Lord for sending me to the Moody Institute for, is that there I learned how to deal with a man about his soul."

Unlike the minister quoted in the preceding editorials, this brother says nothing about illustrations and nothing about "bawling." No real Bible preacher has to bawl. Explaining the text of Holy Scripture never necessitates or calls for that vociferous exercise. Such a preacher also does not feel obliged to strain for illustrations. If he desires them they are to be found in the Bible itself. There are more and better illustrations in the Old and New Testaments than in all the thirteen periodicals mentioned above. And indeed, the explanation of the text when rightly done, suggests its illustrations in the process. It is a great time-

saver and a great life-saver. Try it.

Nevertheless, we propose to enlarge
our department "Truth Illuminated," for we wish to retain both of these preachers on our subscription list.

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Our December issue contained a reply to charges against the missionaries of the South Sea Islands. Charges that

were made against them by James Norman Hall A Good Word For in the Atlantic Monthly Missionaries and endorsed by a correspondent of the San Die-

go Sun. But this month we are able to record something of a different character by a distinguished traveler who has come across the work of the missionaries in the region of the Polar Sea-Donald B. MacMillan. In the National Geographic Magazine for November, he writes (italics ours):

"Upon reaching Hopedale we found the mission flag snapping in the breeze

to give us welcome.
"It would take many issues of the National Geographic Magazine to give its readers an adequate idea of what these brave and unselfish Moravian missionaries have been doing on the bleak Labrador coast for the last 154 years! Were it not for the Moravians, there would not be a single living Eskimo on that coast today. From the time that Jensen, standing with outstretched hands in the bow of the boat, called, 'I am your friend,' life has been safe for Eskimos there.

"Eskimo history is the history of all "Eskimo history is the history of all savages, slowly retreating from the outposts of civilization and dying from its diseases. Once a great race, extending to the northern shores of the Gulf of St. Lawrence, they are not to be found today until one reaches the half-breed at Mokkovik, 55° 14'N.

"The strenous fight of the Moravians has been waged not so much

ians has been waged not so much against the ignorance, superstition, evil practices and primitive religion of

the savage, as against the sins of the so-called civilized.

Bishop Manning of the Protestant Episcopal church of New York, has certainly astonished us. "Sport," he says,

"has just as important a place Sport in our lives as prayer. A welland played polo or football game is as pleasing to God as a beautiful cathedral service," so he Prayer

assures us.

on any day.'

We do not understand the bishop to mean that a "beautiful cathedral service" may be no more pleasing to God than a polo or football game. We could appreciate that and agree with it. We have known of such services. Jehovah Himself speaks of them in Isaiah. "Bring no more vain oblations; incense is an abomination unto me; I am weary to bear them; when you spread forth your hands, I will hide mine eyes from you: yea, when you make many prayers I will not hear you" (Isa. 1:10-15).

But the bishop is not speaking in a sarcastic vein. He is serious. He is not condemning formalism in divine worship, but hallowing physical recreation and fun. He leaves us in no doubt about it. He is speaking at the annual convention of the National Collegiate Athletic Association, and he says: "I want to make it unmistakably clear that we of the church approve of the playing of games of golf and tennis on Sunday. Sports are so good that they have their place

Now we believe in recreation and port. We advocate it as a means to sport. health for many people, old, young and middle-aged. We advocate it as a Christian duty. We are to glorify God in our bodies which are His (1 Cor. 6:20). A sound mind in a sound body ought to make for the spiritual enjoyment of God

and greater fruitfulness in His service. Moreover, we do not believe that it is the province of the church as such, to legislate for the world. If the world wishes to play golf and tennis on Sunday, that is the world's business, provided it does not interfere with the rights and privileges of Christian worshipers. But we do not believe that the church is justified in saying to its own members "we approve of the playing of games of golf and tennis on Sunday." It is difficult to reconcile the giving of such advice to any flock by a shepherd who is himself regenerated and living in fellowship with God, and who possesses a just sense of the weight of his words and the extent of his influence.

The world and the worldly church will take great comfort from Bishop Manning's pronouncement. We imagine that the pressure upon him thus to express himself was greater than most men could bear. We devoutly thank God that the temptation was not ours. do not assume to be the bishop's judge, but we are very sorry for him. Meanwhile, the true children of God will not be seriously injured by what he has said, and we prophesy a reaction from his utterances that will make for "right-eousness and true holiness."

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depends on what one means by "religious" education. There is only one kind of religious education that has in it any real value of the sort Dr. Butler desires. It is the religion that has divine authority back of it, the religion of the Bible and of Christianity which lays down the law to men with the dictum, "Thus saith the Lord." The multiplication of law-breakers, rich as well as poor, educated as well as ignorant, seems to be keeping pace in these days with the growth of Modernism which denies the inspiration of the Bible as the Word of God.



The reported discovery of the earlier temple of Ashtaroth at Beisan (formerly Bethsan), Palestine, has great interest for the man of faith. Last September the University of More Light Pennsylvania announced that on the its research expedition had un-Bible earthed the later temple of the heathen goddess on that site, the temple mentioned in 1 Samuel 31, where the Philistines placed the armor of King Saul. But now the discovery of a still older temple underneath the ruins of the later one suggests that the location may have been a center of worship for the Canaanites in Abraham's

After this manner archaeological discovery is continually throwing new light upon the Bible text and affording an opportunity to test its accuracy by contemporaneous history. It is needless to say that the Bible always stands the test, giving us occasion to add that the confirmatory evidence for the truth of the Bible was never so strong as it is today. This new "find" by the way, recalls what was said in our last issue in the editorial note entitled, "Amazing Stupidity."



Rabbi Wise, of New York, declares his belief in the historicity of Jesus, and going farther, rejects the idea that Jesus' teaching is align to that of

Rabbi Judaism through its prophets.

Some of the rest of us have believed and known this all our
Jesus lives, but still, for this Jewish
leader to admit it will have

weight with some people whom the rest of us do not reach. Hence we pass it

Nevertheless, the rabbi is careful to have it known that he does not accept Christianity, that to him Jesus is not the Christ. How he can deny this and still admit the historicity of Jesus and the harmony of His teachings with those of the Old Testament, is something that his own orthodox brethren of the Jewish faith would have him explain. That Jesus, the Jew, can be liberated from the great body of dogmas touching the Christ of Christianity the Agudath Harahonim

(Union of Orthodox Rabbis) do not believe, and hence they demanded Rabbi Wise's resignation as chairman of the \$5,000,000 United Palestine Appeal, with which demand he complied.

Our stand is taken with the Agudath Harahonim. You cannot separate Jesus from the Christ, no more than you can separate the Christ from the eternal Son of God. These three are one and the same. The difference between the orthodox Jew (Agudath Harahonim) and the orthodox Christian is this: the orthodox Iew is looking for the first advent of the Christ, and the orthodox Christian is looking for His second ad-The difference between the Reformed Jew (Rabbi Wise) and the orthodox Christian is far more radical and serious. It is about the same as the difference between the modernist and the orthodox Christian. It is a difference involving the inspiration and authority of the Bible and the Godhead and Kingship of the Messiah, to say nothing of the sacrificial meaning of the cross. The true church of Christ is in closer sympathy with Agudath Harahonim than with Rabbi Wise.



This is the name of a monthly "magazine of constructive publicity," published in the interest of the industries of Oklahoma.

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Its publisher is Paul Philpip. That which gives us particular interest in it is an editorial in its issue

of last October which we have only just seen. The editorial is entitled, "The Bible and Industry," and concludes with a doctrinal statement which was adopted, if we mistake not, at a great international prophetic conference held under the auspices of the Moody Bible Institute in 1914. Introducing the statement the editor writes:

"The time has come for those who believe in the fundamentals of the Christian faith and desire to see those truths emphasized in the education of the youth of our country, to unite and to know what they believe in regard to the authenticity of the Bible."

Such a declaration in an industrial journal is something for which we may be devoutly thankful to God. If all industrial workers thus knew God and His holy Word, how happy and content they would be, and how much they could do to make our world more of a paradise for the rest of us. God would see to it that they were paid good wages also and that their employers should not oppress them (Ps. 81:13-16).

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Chicago's Health Commissioner puts out a monthly bulletin featuring a positive health service. In a recent edition, the commissioner says:

"How Are the commissioner says:
"Isn't it about time that
You Feeling we abandon the salutation, 'How are you feeling
today?' First and last,
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he thinks that salutation has probably done a great deal of harm in reminding people of their ills. He thinks it much better to suggest the health idea than the disease idea. There was a time when people were ill so much of the time that 'How are you feeling today?" really a live issue. As the commissioner expresses it, it was considered fashionable to be enjoying poor health in those days, but preventive medicine has now taught us that it is easier to keep well people well than to cure them after they are sick. We agree with the commissioner that much of our ill health is mental, and occasionally it is merely an unconscious bid for attention and sympathy. Therefore, let us start this new year by getting health habits. One good health habit leads to other good health habits. What will keep up the health contagion? The answer of the bulletin is: "Sound sleep, good digestion, proper exercise at all seasons of the year, plenty of fresh air, sufficient sunlight and a cheerful mental attitude." Happiness, usefulness and success in life are under God, conditioned on the prevalence of the contagion of health. God desires us to be healthy and happy, and we ought to co-operate with Him to that end as far as possible, remembering the injunction, "Glorify God in your body" (1 Cor. 6:20).

#### REVERENCE IN WORSHIP

A friend in Iowa recently wrote the Moody Bible Institute in appreciation of the reverence for worship which it seeks to express in its public gatherings, and for its "insistence upon devotion to God in a place set apart for such devotion." He adds: "The Roman Catholics are overzealous, but we are below par... When a lad of sixteen years, I was reprimanded in a none-too-immaculate judge's office for not removing my hat in the presence of the judge. Yet I have seen a judge, in later years, walking through God's house with his hat on."

#### OBEY THE LAW

"Our government is a government of laws. It is a government of majorities, if it is anything. Where would we be without law and order? A man might covet another's wife and take her. We might by strength of arm take the property of the weak. Can any one who gives an order to a bootlegger reconcile it in his own heart as an act of patriotism?

"Make a new law, then, but do not

"Make a new law, then, but do not violate the one there now. A man commits a crime just as much when he is a party to the violation of prohibition law as when he steals. The great federal prison at Leavenworth, with a capacity for 1,200 prisoners, is crowded with 3,000 men who showed a willingness to make a profit from being criminals. Our courts are cluttered with such as

"All laws look alike to me. We must abide by them even at the expense of what we may deem our rights. As we pass this seventh anniversary of the end of the most horrible war of all times, we must remember the blessings of peace and practice the patriotism of peace."—Judge Samuel Alschuler of U. S. Court of Appeals.

#### Christianity and False Evolutionism

**Editorial Book Review** 

F ANY orthodox college, theological seminary or Bible institute is looking for a text-book on evolution, this is the one we would recommend. There are many books on evolution valuable for the reference library or the individual reader, but for actual class work we know of none that equals this, considering not only its sound scholarship but its scope and method. The author of the book is Alvin Sylvester Zerbe, Ph. D., D. D., professor emeritus, Central Theological Seminary, Dayton, O., and it is published by the Central Publishing House, Cleveland, O. An earlier issue of the MONTHLY contained a brief notice of the book but it justifies the further space to give the following outline of its chapter con-

Christian and Non-Christian World-Views

Creationism, or the Biblical Narrative of the Origin of the Physical Universe,

Evolution and Pseudo-Evolutionism, Proofs of Evolution, Origin, Antiquity and Nature of

Man, Are Christianity and Evolutionism

Reconcilable?
Scientific Faith or Assumptions,
Presuppositions and Postulates of
Science.

As an illustration of the thoroughness and orderliness of the author's treatment of the foregoing themes, we might mention that the chapter entitled, "Proofs of Evolution," deals with anatomy, embryology, paleontology and genetics under more than fifty divisions and sub-divisions. There are over ninety divisions and sub-divisions in the chapter entitled, "Are Christianity and Evolutionism Reconcilable?" There is also a complete index of authors as well as subjects, greatly adding to the value of the book.

The following detached sentences from the chapter on "Evolution and Pseudo-Evolutionism" will be found interesting and useful:

It is a proof of the lack of discriminating thought that not merely the uneducated public, but the supposedly educated, could not give a clear definition of the words "evolution" and "evolutionism" if their life depended on it (p. 52). It is the nebulous character of the doctrine that constitutes its strength (p. 53). If scientists meant no more by evolution than growth, progress, development from the lower to the higher in the history of the universe and of man, there would be little controversy at this point (p. 56). But the consistent evolutionist holds that there is no supernatural order at all, but only a dead level of natural law (p. 58). As Professor Huxley writes: "The hypothesis of evolution supposes that in all this vast progression there would be no breach of continuity, no point at which we could say 'this is a natural process' or 'this is not a natural process.'" When Huxley affirms that

all is "continuous" and "natural," he means that at no stage can the idea of God as intervening in the forces of nature or in human history, be entertained. Not even the incarnation and resurrection of Christ are exceptional according to evolutionistic formula. If such events actually occurred they come under natural law (p. 59). That is, mind, intelligence, personality, God are excluded in the doctrine of evolution as expounded by its champions (p. 71).

Perhaps the most interesting chapter in the book, at least for the popular mind, is that on the "Origin, Antiquity and Nature of Man." In this chapter the author deals quite at length with the fossil remains of one kind or another that have been discovered, and which many scientists regard as those of pre-human beings forming a connecting link between the higher orders of animals and man. These remains are found in museums mounted on iron supports, the parts being held together by various devices and every bone accurately joined to its neighbor. Thus the visitor to the museums is naturally led to suppose that the skeletons are really those of creatures which lived from 500,000 to 10,000,000 years ago as the cards attached to them indicate in some cases. But in reality, as Professor Zerbe says, only about a one hundredth part of any one of them is original, the remaining 99-100 being pure "restoration" according to the idea of the scientist as to what the particular being looked like at the time!

The stock in trade of these scientists, in other words, consists in a shrewd marshaling of the so-called Neanderthal man, the Piltdown man, the Heidelberg man, the Java man, and a half-dozen others of minor importance. Professor Zerbe discusses each of these skeletal remains somewhat in detail and shows the fallacy of each, declaring that "the actual original 'find' upon which this whole elaborate hypothesis is based would not fill a bushel basket."

It was Ernst Haeckel, the German atheist whose many forgeries have been repeatedly exposed, who started the fiction of the hypothetical common ancestry of man and apes which is now accepted by Osborne and other American scientists. But, as our author points out, a high European authority, Dr. Erich Wasmann, testifies that no connecting link has ever been found between the hypothetical ancestral forms of our present apes and the man of today. The whole hypothetical pedigree of man, in other words, is not supported by a single fossil genus or a single fossil species.

Space forbids further allusions to the contents of this valuable book, but we close with an extract quoted by the author from the address of President D. H. Scott, of the British Association for the Advancement of Science, who said: "Is evolution then not a scientifically

established fact? No, it is not. \* \* \* It is an act of faith." In other words, as Professor Zerbe puts it, "False evolutionism has been imposed upon an unsuspecting public by the jugglery of skillful sophists."

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#### A SCOTCH THEOLOGIAN ON AMERICAN MINISTERS

A letter from Dr. James Moffatt, of Glasgow, who visited St. Louis last spring, appears in a current issue of a British weekly, in which the theologian expresses particular admiration for St. Louis

Dr. Moffatt writes with the quaint wit which characterized his addresses here. He says in part

"Ministers out there have few studies, and their libraries are distressingly thin. But they all seem to have motor cars, and they put these at my disposal.

"I was more than ever impressed by the place that religion is taking in the Middle West as part of the community life. The churches out there are not aloof from society by any means. Ministers are members of Rotary clubs, they are even in the Ku Klux Klan. At one place the Chamber of Commerce invited me to lunch to address them upon Christianity."—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

#### HIGH COST OF MODERN COURTING

Rev. Thomas Barclay Uber told his congregation recently at the Reen Memorial Lutheran Church, that

"More babies and fewer poodle dogs would mean less nervous wrecks. It would also mean fewer club fiends and it might have a lot to do in lessening divorce and separation."

It will not be necessary for a woman to search for something to occupy her mind, Rev. Mr. Uber believes, if she is the mother of several healthy boys and girls

The bachelor may have found some consolation, however, in the fact that the preacher deplores the passing of the good old days of courtship, "when a young man could call on his lady friend and spend a quiet evening at home looking over the family album or sitting by the piano."

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"The trouble," he said, "is not that boys do not love the girls so much as they did in days of yore, but that court-ship is getting too expensive.

"Now there must be theaters, dinners and automobile rides until the young man shrinks from it all. Some very fine young men simply cannot afford to finance a courtship in these modern times, much less furnish a home according to modern demands. Think this over, girls. Maybe that is why some of you are not being led to the altar." St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

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#### D. L. Moody and George Adam Smith—R. A. Torrey Corroborated

By Mr. Charles T. Page, Concord, N. H.

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N APRIL, 1904, some five years after D. L. Moody died, I had a conversation about him with the Rev. George H. Reed, pastor of the First Congregational Church of Concord, N. H., of which I am a member. Mr. Reed informed me that a Congregational minister and author of note had told him that D. L. Moody in the later years of his life modified his theo-logical views and became more "liberal." I did not believe it. And in order that I might convince Mr. Reed that he was misinformed, I wrote or interviewed five men whom I knew personally and who had more or less close relations with Mr. Moody during the later years of his life. Each of these men gave an unqualified denial of the charge that was then made and has since continued to be made, that Mr. Moody had modified his views. They were all men of high-mindedness and truthful-

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Two of these men expressed themselves in interviews and three by correspondence. The first two were H. M. Moore and S. M. Sayford. Mr. Moore was a member of the Boston firm of Smith, Moore and Company and for many years a trustee of the Northfield Seminary for Girls. Mr. Sayford was equally well-known as a Y. M. C. A. secretary and a worker among college men. The writers of the letters were the Rev. C. I. Scofield, D. D., Mr. George H. Shaw and the Rev. James M. Gray, D. D. Drs. Scofield and Gray require no introduction and their connection with D. L. Moody in the later years of his life is a matter of history. George H. Shaw was a resident of Middleboro, Mass., and like Mr. Moore, for many years a trustee of Mr. Moody's work at Northfield.

The letters of these three gentlemen are before me and from them I quote. Dr. Scofield writes:

"Mr. Moody, to the very last, preached the same truths with the same emphasis upon which his great ministry had all along been based; that is, he taught the verbal inspiration of the Bible in the original documents, the absolute authority of the whole Bible, redemption by blood alone, salvation by faith alone, a holy life as the fruit of the Spirit, the full deity of Jesus Christ, the lost condition of all men out of Christ and the necessity of the new birth."

Mr. Shaw writes:

"There is no truth in the report that Mr. Moody changed his views. I was with him much in his last years and often heard him preach and had the opportunity of knowing his views. He had one or two persons at his conferences who might have been somewhat liberal, but he did not know it until he heard them. He often said he would not have them again."

Dr. Grav writes:

"In regard to the theology of D. L. Moody of which you ask, I think I can speak with some authority, for it was in his last days that I was closest to him and knew him best. His theology was what it always had been. He had a high regard for George Adam Smith, and I think he really loved Henry Drummond, but when he learned of their divergence from the old standards of truth he would never again invite them upon the Northfield platform, or that of his Institute at Chicago. Speaking of the Higher Criticism, he once said it was more important to know what was in the book of Isaiah than to know who wrote it. This is a commonsense proposition, but the friends of George Adam Smith and his way of thinking, twisted the remark and used it to their advantage. It did not mean, however, that Mr. Moody had in any degree changed his feelings as to the authenticity and integrity of the Holy Scriptures."

To pursue the matter somewhat further. In December, 1923, The Congregationalist (Boston) contained an article by the Rev. George L. Cady, D. D., concerning the relations existing between D. L. Moody and Dr. George Adam Smith, of Scotland. This article elicited some correspondence between Dr. Cady and myself, in the course of which, quoting from memory, I said to Dr. Cady that D. L. Moody told Dr. Smith to his face that he believed he was doing the Devil's work. Dr. Cady submitted the question to Mr. W. R. Moody, the son of D. L. Moody, and permitted me to see copies of the correspondence. In this correspondence both gentlemen, Dr. Cady and W. R. Moody, declared emphatically that D. L. Moody would not have made "any such statement to Dr. Smith." However, I felt sure of the substantial accuracy of my recollection, and, quite recently, I have obtained satisfactory confirmation of it.

The confirmation I speak of is found in the Record of Christian Work, of July, 1900, page 564. The Christian public is aware that this periodical is edited by W. R. Moody and that it has always represented D. L. Moody's work at Northfield. Page 564 of the issue mentioned is given up to book notices under the general title, "Our Book Table." Among the book notices is one referring to a little book by Henry Drummond, entitled, Dwight L. Moody: Impressions and This book contains an introduction by Dr. George Adam Smith. Dr. Smith's allusions to D. L. Moody were not entirely relished by the reviewer of Mr. Drummond's book, and in expressing himself to that effect, the reviewer showed no hesitancy in conveying the information to his readers that D. L. Moody, "not in confidence but in the presence of witnesses," told Dr. Smith that "he believed the critics were doing the Devil's work." The exact words of the reviewer follow. After speaking of Drummond's book as merely a sketch of the greater outlines of Mr. Moody's work by one of his most gifted and devoted friends, the reviewer adds (italics mine):

"As such therefore, and not as biography, it is to be welcomed. The introduction by Professor George Adam Smith is however, a distinct infelicity if not worse. And this not because the writer has not said true and strong words of the great evangelist but because Professor Smith has used his opportunity to have his fling, on the one hand, at Moody's 'narrow theory of Scripture,' which he attributes to his 'defective education,' and at the Northfield teaching which he calls 'timid and inadequate'; while on the other hand, he seeks to claim Moody as an indifferentist, to say the least, concerning the higher criticism.

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"He quotes him as saying, 'It is not the authorship of the book that matters, but the contents.' Mr. Moody's friends would like exceedingly to know when and where he ever said that. And since Professor Smith has felt free to take the public into his confidence respecting conversations with Mr. Moody, as the two friends drove about Northfield, will he say why he did not tell us that not in confidence but in the presence of witnesses, Mr. Moody told him that he believed the critics were doing the Devil's work?"

It is fair to assume that D. L. Moody knew that Dr. Smith was a "critic" and that it was on that ground that he rejected him. It would also appear that Dr. Smith so understood it, and made it the basis of his "fling" at a man who was dead and could not defend himself.

My motive in recording the above springs from the admiration and love I have always had for the founder of the Northfield work and that of the Moody Bible Institute of Chicago. I am deeply grieved at any reflection upon his memory as a devoted servant of God and a true witness to the gospel of His Son. Nevertheless, what I have written is without censoriousness, and in speaking the truth, as it has been given me to see it I have sought to avoid the use of any word or phrase that would cause unnecessary pain to any one.

If gratitude is due from children to their earthly parents how much more is the gratitude of the great family of mar due to our Father in heaven!—Hoses Ballou.

"Then, too, thanksgiving cures covet ousness. It magnifies our little things till we fail to wish for the great things of others. It is the quintessence o contentment; and contentment joined to pure, practical goodness is the acmo of all life. And just such an acme o life is within the reach of every lowly heart that will trust God fully"

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#### D. L. Moody's "Modernism"?

By the Late President Charles A. Blanchard, D.D., Wheaton College, Wheaton, Ill.

FIRST heard Mr. Moody give a public address when I was yet a student in college. He came to our little city to assist in a Sabbath-school meeting. I do not remember anything he said at that time. But I remember very clearly the way in which he took hold of the meeting. The attendance was very small at the first gathering. He said there would be no use of having a meeting with such a small number of persons present. He sent us all out into the streets to give notices in every direction that there was a meeting on, and told us to tell the people that the meeting would begin an hour from the time we started. By that time, the number of persons present was largely increased, probably three or four times as many were present as had been at what should have been the beginning of the meeting.

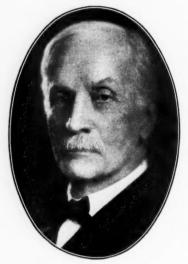
All the work which he did was of the same type, earnest, aggressive and wideawake. From that day until the end of his life I knew him and his work. I was on the platform in the First Congregational Church of Chicago, on the evening when he was going through from Kansas City to his death at East Northfield. He was unable to preach that evening. He called upon me to offer prayer, and upon Dr. Torrey to preach. The church was filled with people who came to listen to him. Of course, they were disappointed that this was impossible, but hearers were profited by the address of Dr. Torrey. This was the last time Mr. Moody appeared in Chicago, His old friends, members of his church, and those who had labored with him in many ways, did not again have the privilege of seeing or hearing him.

Between these two milestones, his first address and his last appearance, I was constantly in touch with him and his work. I heard him in the Tabernacle campaign of 1876, in Chicago. I read his sermons from newspapers and from books. I was invited to attend and speak at the East Northfield conference, think the first year that Mr. Campbell Morgan was there. I remember on that occasion that Mr. McGregor was with him. The two men were like brothers, and both of them were highly esteemed by the hundreds and thousands of p eople who attended the Northfield conferences. I do not know how many of the Northfield conferences I attended-I would say as a guess that I was there at ten or twelve of them. I heard Mr. Moody when he spoke, which was seldom. I heard the persons whom he invited to

I was preacher in the Moody Church, which was then called the Chicago Avenue Church, for more than a year. During that time the first steps were taken for the organization of the Moody Bible Institute. I raised the money which was used to bring Dr. Moorehead, of Xenia, O., to Chicago for the experimental sessions which preceded the launching of the enterprise. I attended

the meeting of business men in Farwell Hall, which was called for the purpose of making a beginning on the fund for the Moody Bible Institute. I saw the preliminary sessions move from Farwell Hall to the Moody Church, and from the Moody Church to the first building erected for the Institute, on Institute Place.

I think I knew Mr. Moody's theological position quite as well as any of his children did, they being at this time unborn or in their very early youth. I would not



Charles A. Blanchard, D. D.

admit without proof that any one of them knew Mr. Moody's attitude respecting the Bible better than I. Possibly I think too highly of my information on this subject, but it is my impression that I think soberly and according to the facts in the case. So much premised, I will say that I have been astounded to see any one who knew him at all, write such statements as have been recently made concerning his attitude toward the Word of God. Of course, when he had become a world character, and when it was helpful to a public man to be on his platform, some who did not at all sympathize with his teaching, desired the assistance to be gained by being on the Northfield program. I remember a distinguished man who had never been invited to Northfield. He finally was invited to one of the conferences. He came and gave a single address. I was told that Mr. Moody notified him immediately that it would not be possible for him to make further addresses at that conference. Certainly he never appeared at another one. The men who did appear were, so far as I knew them, believers in the Word of God. Some of them possibly changed somewhat as time went on, but there was no change in Mr. Moody's attitude. Everyone who knew him knew that he was broad-minded and

kind-hearted, but such persons also knew that so far as the Bible was concerned, he was absolutely unwavering.

Mr. Moody was one of the most voluminous writers of sermons and Bible addresses that we have ever had in this country. He sent out his printed utterances literally by millions of copies. These printed utterances are still sent out. Dr. Griffith Thomas recently made up an article almost exclusively from them. If Mr. Moody was in any way tainted with the infidelity and atheism which masquerade at the present time under the title of "biblical learning," it should be the simplest thing in the world to print the statements which he made on that subject. There is no reason to doubt that this would have been done long ago if it had been possible. Since there are no such statements, and never have been of course, it is very much easier to talk about his inviting men who preached a good deal of truth with some error, and to make a fact of that kind, if indeed it be a fact, the basis for a charge of Modernism which is now made years after he has been in his grave.

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His addresses were printed by scores and hundreds of thousands with his own approbation. It is perfectly easy to find out what his teaching was. I heard many of those addresses personally. I do not believe that one of his printed statements can be produced at the present time which shows that he had any doubt concerning the inspiration of the Bible.

If this is correct, why should not those who have been dishonoring his memory, acknowledge this error and bear testimony to the truth?—From The Presbylerian, May 22, 1924.

#### GETTING THE RIGHT OF IT

At the close of a preaching service in Germantown, a stranger came to Mr. Stearns and said, "I don't like your preaching, I do not care for the cross." "I think," said the stranger, "that instead of preaching the death of Christ on the cross, it would be far better to preach Jesus, the teacher and example."

Said Mr. Stearns: "Would you, then, be willing, if I preach Christ, the Example to follow Him?"

"I would," said the stranger, "I will follow in His steps."

"Then," said Mr. Stearns, "let us take the first step."

"All right," said the stranger.

"This," said Mr. Stearns, "is the first step, 'Who did no sin.' Can you take this step?"

The stranger was somewhat confused. "No," said the stranger, "I do know sin, I acknowledge it."

"Then," said Mr. Stearns, "you do not need Christ for an example, you need Christ for a Saviour."

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### When D. L. Moody Gave Away His Bible

By Mrs. Mary Fraser, Winnipeg, Man.

THE first time I had the privilege of hearing D. L. Moody was in Aberdeen, Scotland, in June, 1874. It was a week after our dear father's death and I remember how deeply touched we were when Mr. Moody gave out as his subject, "Heaven," and how sweet and comforting his words sounded to our sad, stricken hearts. One of my father's last requests was that Mr. Moody should be invited to speak in our parish church but the minister did not feel inclined to grant it.

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#### The Crying Infant

I heard Mr. Moody several times in the eighties when he was in London. At one meeting he remarked that "Doubting Castle" was a very favorite residence in England. Later a crying infant disturbed many present. Mr. Moody took up the matter on behalf of the mother, saving the babe's fretting did not disturb him, and he begged his audience to fix their attention on his words and not on that poor mother who had as much a right to remain in the hall as any one. Then in terse terms, he reminded his hearers that they had all once been crying babies themselves and that they owed chivalry and courtesy to every mother. Thereupon, he extended a cordial invitation to any mother to come to his meetings and bring her baby.

#### The Courageous Soldier

One special summer evening meeting I well remember, held in a London sub-Mr. Moody was speaking on John 3:16 and emphasizing the freeness of God's unspeakable gift. He held up his large marked Bible and told us how much he valued it, but that he would give it as a free gift to the first one in the hall who believed this and took him at his word. The great hall was densely packed with all sorts and conditions of men and women. One or two of the "Cambridge seven" were ushers. A large number of soldiers occupied the middle of the building in front of the platform, their scarlet uniforms making them conspicuous. I had a seat at the side, only a few yards away from Mr. Moody, and as he stood with his treasured Bible in his outstretched hand, offering it to whoever would take I longed to avail myself of the privilege, but I waited to see if any one else would ac-

Just then a soldier in scarlet sprang forward and grasped the proffered volume from Mr.

Moody's hand with some words like "I'll have it." Then he returned to his seat and I envied him not a little. Following his act there came a sound which swept through that vast audience like the wind over a field of ripe corn. Every one seemed to be saying, "Oh! Oh!" And from some sitting near me I heard various exclamations of vexation-"If I had only known he meant it. Oh, if I had only taken it, etc."

#### Applying the Incident

Then D. L. Moody began to apply the incident to the free gift of God's salvation offered to lost sinners. "I will give you the water of life freely" (Rev. 21:6); "And whosoever will, let him take the water of life freely" (Rev. 22:1). Many crowded into the inquiry room afterwards and eternity only will reveal the harvest gathered from that night's sowing of the good seed.

I have read that one writer dares to say that "Jesus Christ was a modernist with regard to His teaching about the Old Testament." Need we wonder that D. L. Moody, and other servants of God have also been falsely called the same? "The disciple is not above his Master nor the servant above his Lord. It is enough for the disciple that he be as his Master and the servant as his Lord. If they have called the Master of the house Beelzebub, how much more them of his household?" "Neither did his brethren believe in him" (John 7:5; Matt. 5:11).



(In Everyday Topics, 1882)

LL testified to the power of his preaching. The doubters were convinced, the wicked were converted, weary teachers of religion were filled with new courage, and there was a great turning of thoughts and hearts Godward. Mr. Tyndall, Mr. Huxley and Mr. Herbert Spencer were not very much in men's minds while Mr. Moody was around. The power D. L. Moody seemed to wield was in the truth he promulgated or that it emanated from

anything but Jesus Christ, and we are inclined to think that Mr. Moody doesn't know anything but Jesus Christ. It is a fortunate ignorance for him and the world. Our preachers as a rule know so many things beside the Master. Considering the fact that Christ is the veritable "Word of God," that He is in Himself alone "the Way, the Truth and the Life," it may be questioned whether the progress of Christianity has not been hindered by our possession of all the sacred books outside of the evangelical histories. At any rate, we see what has come to Mr. Moody from preaching without much learning, without much complicated machinery, "the truth as it is in Christ Jesus." Against such demonstrations of the power of Christ and Christianity as are afforded by the London and New York meetings, infidelity can make no headway. In short the adoption of Christ as Saviour, King, Exemplar, Teacher-this is Christianity. The simple vital truth as it is in Jesus Christ and not as it is in Moses or Daniel, is what the world wants.

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<sup>\*</sup> Dr. Holland will be recalled as the founder and first editor of Scribner's Monthly.—Editors.

# RELIGIOUS PONIARDS THAT MOODY USED AT THE AUDITORIUM\* From The Chicago Inter-Ocean. THE man who boasts that he is a paying member of a church had better have are yet to his children; children of such men go to ruin. A CHRISTIAN who is a lazy man bears false witness in favor of himself by claiming he is a Chirelian. THERE are no hearses in heaven; there is not a word in the Bible about celestial graveyards. THERE are no hearses in heaven; there the promise of eternal life. A MAN might as well try to eat enough at breakfast to last all his life as to try to get grace enough at once to last him until be dies. THERE are to many congregations that they get grace enough and not not be seen on the same in the substantiant in the control of the promise of eternal life. THERE are no hearses in heaven; there clubs them on one side and the world in the world. A MAN might as well try to eat enough at breakfast to last all his life as to try to get grace enough at once to last him until be dies. THERE are to many congregations that they control to say much until she saw whether the world. THERE are no hearses in heaven; there clubs them on one side and the world in the world. THERE are no hearses alvation filings the control to say much until she saw whether the world. THERE are no hearses alvation filings the promise of eternal life. A MAN might as well try to eat enough at the world. THERE are no hearses alvation filings the man who lives a barrel of clubs them on one side and the world the world. THERE are to man a congregations that filter be promise of eternal life. THERE are no hearses alvation filings the promise of eternal life. THERE are no hearses alvation filings the world the world. THERE are no hearses alvation filings the promise of eternal life. THERE are no hearses alvation filings the promise of eternal life. THERE are no hearses alvation filings the promise of eternal life. THERE are no hearses alvation filings the promise of eternal life. THERE are no hearses alvation filings the p

\*These "Religious Poniards" appeared every day on the front page of The Inter-Ocean during the meetings conducted by D. L. Moody in the Chicago Auditorium, March, 1897. We are indebted for the above copy to the Rev. C. A. Montanus, of Milwaukee, Wis. Mr. Montanus was a student in the Moody Bible Institute in D. L. Moody's life-time and a devoted worker in his meetings.—Editors.

#### **Elements of Success in Christian Service**

By Rev. Mark A. Matthews, D. D., Seattle, Wash.

An Address at the Moody Bible Institute

WANT to talk to you about the essential elements to success in Christian But before work. I enumerate them, let me dispel from your mind any thought that I am going to talk about human methods of success, or the devices and programs that may be made by men.

The world is offering many programs of success. But I am not interested in those for the reason that the work in which you and I are engaged is successful in the beginning.

It will progress along successful lines and shall come to a success to His church. She has never glorious fruition because of the promises of Christ. When He said, "I will build my church and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it," He guaranteed



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failed. There is not a single record of failure charged to the church of Jesus Christ. There will never be a record of failure.

The Supernatural Standpoint

The world does not admit this because the world is looking at success through her glasses and is measuring success by her rules. But I am talking about success from a supernatural standpoint, because if you and I have any right to exist it is on the basis of a supernatural entity. The Christian is not a Christian by resolution but by regeneration. The Christian came into existence not by a compact between God and himself but by the process

of birth. He was born into the Christian life and baptized by the Holy Spirit into the body of Christ. Therefore, he is of supernatural origin and power and has a supernatural work and will reach a supernatural end to b

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received by a supernatural Christ who brought him into existence. It is impossible for the church, the body of Christ, to fail.

But there are several things which you and I must take into consideration as supernatural entities, for that is what we are. And if we are to succeed, it is on the basis of that existence, as Paul s iid, "I can do all things through Christ who strengtheneth me." The source of my strength is Christ. The authority for my existence in the Christian service is Christ, and my work is by His direction if I am to please Him.

#### No Controversy in the Church

Let me enumerate, if that be true, several things that we must keep before us, because the world is watching what it calls a great controversy in the church. I don't know what you think about it, but let me tell you there is no controversy inside the body of Christ. The controversy is between members of the body of Christ and the rationalistic forces who pretend to be members of the body of Christ. There is the conflict, and it can never cease until time is no more.

There is no reconciliation between members of the body of Christ and the rationalistic forces outside of the body of Christ. There is no reconciliation between Christ and Satan. There is no reconciliation between virtue and vice. There is no reconciliation between righteousness and unrighteousness. There is no reconciliation between God and the world. Satan, vice, unrighteousness, the world, sin, must succumb and Christ must triumph. Is that true?

Now that being true, don't try to find a ground of reconciliation between these people. It cannot be found. And don't waste time discussing their propositions. Spend your time in pronouncing the infallible truths. Don't waste your time in discussing the froth of a seething world as over the cataract of hell it bounds. It is the positive pronouncement of the truth that should engage your attention.

Now if you are to succeed, and you are, you will adhere to these things:

First, absolute loyalty to Jesus Christ as the Son of God and Saviour. The whole battle lies in that sentence. I am not interested in Jesus Christ as a teacher. I am not interested in Jesus Christ as a leader. I am not interested in Jesus Christ as a philosopher. Jesus Christ as teacher, leader, philosopher has no value to me. If you put Him on that basis, then He ceases to be of value to the world. I am interested in Him only as the Son of God, very God of very God, co-equal with the Father, the Saviour of the world, the God-decreed apparatus by which I come into existence as a child of God, as a Christian.

Whenever you lose the point of emphasis that Jesus Christ is the Son of God, you put yourself on the level with Judas Iscariot, and you ought to be spewed out of the mouth of every reputable Christian on earth. He is the Son of God or He is not anything. He is the Son of God or He never existed and does

not exist now. It is that emphasis that the world wants today, that the world must have. It is that emphasis that draws the line of demarcation across which no rationalist can come except by regeneration.

In the second place, absolute loyalty to the Holy Spirit, to the leadership of the Holy Spirit as the third person of the Trinity. Emphasis upon the Holy Spirit as the influence of God is blasphemous. The Holy Ghost is not God's influence. The Holy Ghost isn't the spirit or breath of God. The Holy Spirit is the third person of the Trinity, the executive personality of the Trinity in the world, executing the orders of the Trinity in directing the church in her great evangelistic program. Talk to Him. Be conscious of His presence. Be afraid of wounding Him. Listen, young people, I know what it is to walk alone. I knew what it was as a young boy in preparation, in struggle, in effort and in accomplishment of the thing



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that God wanted done. But the thing that sustained me and will sustain you, is the consciousness of His abiding presence. He, the executive of the Trinity, lives in the heart of every regenerated person, and fills and dominates and directs every child that submits absolutely to His leadership. Is that not true?

In the third place, if you are going to do what He wants done, then there must be absolute loyalty to the Bible as the infallible Word of God.

A gentleman engaged me in conversation in the train as I came here who said, "Oh, there are so many scientific statements, and there is so much said about evolution, etc., and of course you believe in all those things."

I said to him, "My friend, evolution has not arrived. When it arrives, I will believe it. Why waste time on hypothesis of the world when there isn't a scintilla of proof that the hypothesis has any merit?"

scientific scholar that believes in evolution. Show me a scholar that has ever said that evolution is scientific!

What is science? It is the accumulation of absolute fact. Who ever heard of a hypothesis being a fact? Who ever heard of a guess being a fact? Waste no time on it. Pledge your absolute loyalty to the Bible as the only infallible rule of faith and practice.

There has never been turned a spade of dirt by any investigator that has in any way repudiated or discredited the Bible. Isn't that true? There is not a single tablet found in the profane world that has cast the slightest taint on the Word. It is God's infallible Word, and if you are loyal to it without question and without apology, God will honor you and your work.

But, in the fourth place, absolute adherence to the full gospel of Jesus Christ as the only means of salvation.

What do I mean by the full gospel? In the first century there was never a sermon preached that did not contain these doctrines: the incarnation, the crucifixion, the resurrection, the ascension, the mediatorial work of Christ, the second, premillennial coming of Christ. Take the great sermons of Peter and Paul. They never end without including those great doctrines. You can't preach and leave them out.

Young men, you are facing the greatest world that has ever been faced by ministers. The greatest battle ever faced by any soldier on any field in the world's history. The fiercest antagonism that has ever been hurled against the ministers of the gospel. Don't be afraid of it. I would not want you to go into it if it were not a battle, and if you don't stay out until you do feel called. There is fire, starvation, poverty, blood, battle, death before you, but there is glory and success that will accompany every word uttered in the name of Jesus Christ under the guidance of the Holy Spirit.

Young ministers write to me or come to me and ask, "Would you change the subject?"

"What subject?"

"Would you put on a movie?"

"Never would I put anything on in this sacred desk except what God put here, namely, His Word. Whenever I have to open my door to the screen and watch the dazzling light of the world make inroads to the soul, I will surrender the pulpit in apology to God and in shamefacedness to the world, and dig sewers the rest of my days. There is no place in God's church, or in God's pulpit, for anything other than the Cross of Jesus Christ as expressed in His infallible Word."

It is doctrinal preaching, young men, that holds the audience. It isn't platitudinal, effeminate essays on how to dress. The only thing that holds the world today is a discussion of the great fundamental doctrines of God's Word. It is doctrinal preaching the world needs.

In the fifth place, there must be inces-There isn't in the whole world a real, sant prayer. I said a while ago that you

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must be obedient to the leadership of the Holy Spirit. That belongs to the fifth point also. You can't pray until you are obedient to the Holy Ghost. There will come times when you will stand apparently against a stone wall and you can't pray, but the Holy Ghost will pray for you and will teach you how to pray. The Holy Ghost will straighten out your incoherent statements and lay the heavings of your breast and the deep groanings of your heart before God. He prays for us as Christ prayed for us in that memorable prayer in the seventeenth of John. Pray. Pray as you walk. Pray as you sit. Pray as you study. Pray as you preach. Talk to God incessantly.

In the sixth place, work constantly, in season and out of season. If you are looking for a position in the church of Christ that escapes work, you ought to go to the asylum and not to the church. I have never known of a minister dying of overwork. It would please me very much to kill one. When young ministers come to me and say, "My task is so hard and my work is so heavy," I say, "Thank God! Lay on again. Let's make it a little harder. Make the field a little bigger." Work. Watch and work, "for the night cometh when no man can work." You can Know the value of time. recover anything in the world that you lose except time. Never waste a minute.

In the last place, there must be the consecration of purse, power and person, the personality, I should have said. If you succeed you will succeed because you are God's steward. You belong to Him. You must teach the doctrine of stewardship to your church. It is the doctrine of stewardship next to the doctrine of salvation, that the church needs today -consecration of purse.

And then the consecration of power. . If you are a genius, consecrate your genius to Him. If you have a vivacious nature and are noted for your captivating manners, bring your vivacity and captivating manners into the service of Christ. If you are a business man and can handle other men under the touch of your electric button, bring that power into the service of Christ. It is Godgiven power and all it produces belongs to God. Never be afraid of a man because he has succeeded financially. A rich man is nothing in the world but a poor miserable sinner saved by grace. if he be saved. Never be afraid of dollars. The rich man's heart may need your prayers. His life may need your consolation and direction. Never hesitate to talk to him, looking him squarely in the eye and say, "Thou art the man." the power and the courage of holiness in the service of God that make men bow and bend to the minister of the gospel.

#### The Ministry Superior to All Professions

I conclude with this statement: The most glorious work in which any one ever engaged is Christian work. When Jesus Christ said, "Go ye into all the world," He delivered His supreme commission

to His disciples. Young men, those of you who shall be ordained as ministers of the gospel, let me say to you that you will occupy the highest place on earth. The ministry is a calling and is superior to all professions. It is the only untrammeled position in the world. The army and navy of the United States and the combined military force of the world could not take me out of the pulpit. They could bombard the pulpit, but they could never silence the voice and stop the message now being given or displace the power and position that I occupy.

The minister of the gospel is the Godcreated agent occupying the highest place on earth. The world is his field. The earth is his pulpit. The sky is his sounding board, and all men constitute his audience. God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit direct this infallible ministry for him. He is God protected, and he can defy the world. No one dares to take him out of his place. Ministers have resigned from the pulpit and I am never sad when they resign because any man who can be taken from the pulpit was never put in it by Almighty God. Get that clear. When ministers resign to go into the business of selling typewriters, fountain pens, etc., they have at least found the fact that God Almighty never called them to use the sword of the Spirit.

Remember, your position is impreg-ble. The height of your position is beyond the realm of birds and the flight of winds. The supernaturalness of your position is God created and developed. This is the greatest day in the history of the world for the preaching of the gospel. It takes back-bone, brain and brawn and the power of the Trinity to do it. But you have the promise of all three. Don't be afraid.

#### THE JOY OF SALVATION

A young man went out to South Australia to seek his fortune. Its sunny skies quite captivated his heart, and in the full flush of joy he wrote home to his mother, "This is the grandest world I was ever in, and if I had only known I'd have been born here." His meaning is plain, if his His meaning is plain, if his expression of it is quaint, and in it we have an illustration of the feelings that fill the soul of the young convert who forsakes all and takes Jesus for His Saviour. The tremulous joy and the radiant glory, and the sweet peace that become his, beggar description and defy expression; and yet one sometimes meets people who are afraid to give themselves to Christ, lest all sweetness and light be extinguished in their lives. That is what the Word of God calls a strong delusion. It is a lie invented by Satan to hinder men from getting right with God. Christ's kingdom is the grandest the world has ever seen, for it is a kingdom of joy, and peace, and love. He invites you to enter it. "I am the door," He says, "by me if any man enter in he shall be saved." Come to Christ, and through Him you will enter this none-such kingdom, and find a joy past telling.

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#### CHRIST'S SECOND COMING IS SUBJECT OF LECTURE

Explaining the mission of Christ on earth and giving a vivid picture of Judgment Day, Dr. P. B. Fitzwater, dean of the Evening School of the Moody Bible Institute, Chicago, closed the Bible Conference last night at the Park Avenue Baptist Church by preaching on "The Second Coming of Christ."

Christ had a three-fold mission on earth, he said. There embraced the prophetic mission, the priestly mission and the kingly mission. Many people of today, he added, are better at putting in the Scriptures what they think they mean rather than getting out of them what God intended them

"The Son of God who came down here and incorporated Himself with the race must come down and finish the work," he declared, "and this will be the consummation. Christ's second coming is a certainty. It is attested to by the voice of the angels at the resurrection the words of the apostle Paul and the words of Christ Himself when He said: will come again and receive unto myself.' The coming of the Lord will be a personal, a bodily coming and a belief in this form of his second coming has been a part of the creed of all evangelical churches for

After taking up and answering several theories which differ from the biblical account of the second coming of Christ, Dr. Fitzwater brought out the point that in no period in the world's history has there been a spot where everybody was converted nor has there been a place where no one was saved.

"Death is the lifting of the anchor," he said, "and spreading the sails to the homeland. Death is going to the Lord. It does not mean the coming of the Lord. Nobody knows when He is coming. Anybody who sets a time is foolish to the extreme. He may come at any time. And yet, who knows but what it may be years hence?

"Belief in His coming means a practical doctrine teaching people to render obedience, discharge their duties, prepare for His coming. Any intelligent waiting for the Lord is to be hard at work at whatever the Lord has called you to do. 'Occupy until I come,' said the Lord."

"Preachers must be faithful in preaching the Word and sticking to the Scriptures," he said, "for they will be judged for digressing. Unless Jesus Christ comes back His work of redemption will be incomplete," he added.

"So when Jesus comes," he said, "'He will raise from the dead the bodies of His own.' The Bible teaches a literal bodily resurrection. Body and soul will be reunited. It will be a salvation of spirit, soul and body.

Dr. Fitzwater drew a vivid word picture of the Judgment Day, depleting the Lord gathering up His own both the living and the dead, and then proceeding to sit in judgment upon the ungodly. The result, he said, will be the establishment of See Kingdom of Christ.

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#### The Poet Muses on Daily Life

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Tired?—then close your eyes in slumber sweet and deep Trust Him who cares for all the tired sheep. Trust Him who cares for all the tired sheep.
Dismayed?—go seek the True and Living Bread,
The hungry multitudes tenfold by Him are fed.
Hopeless?—look up, He guides thro' starless way,
That leads at last unto the "perfect day."
Athirst?—there is a refuge in the strife,
Seek then the waters of eternal life.
Afraid?—in tempest yet hear, "Peace be still,"
Through faith you'll find His peace your life will fill.
Lonely?—close by abides your truest Friend,
"Lo, I am with you alway,"—till the end!

LOVE ONE ANOTHER By Gertrude R. Dugan, Saltaire, Fire Island, N.Y.

Don't bicker and quarrel, Don't argue and spat; Don't "swallow a camel, And strain out a gnat": Just look for the good things That in others lie: And do not speak harshly To cause them to sigh. Keep humble and meek And consider your brother. The way to please God Is to love one another.

ALONG THE WAY By Edith Godwin Hull, New York, N. Y.

We must change our gait so many times In the course of a single day,
If we would keep in touch with those
We meet on life's highway. The joyous, skipping little feet That never seem to tire,
The splendid eager stride of youth,
Their eyes alight with fire; The steps that falter—tired feet,
So near the journey's end.
We must change our gait to meet each need
If we would be a friend.

We must change our viewpoint many times
In the course of a single day,
If we would understand the folks We meet on life's highway.
We cannot take the hard, cold facts
That seem to tell the tale;
For often years of striving
Stretch behind the lives that fail. We do not know the blasted hopes, The dreams that went astray. Let's judge a bit less harshly
Those we meet along the way.

We must change our song so many times
In the course of a single day,
To be in tune with the hearts we touch
Upon life's great highway. We must learn to sing the happy songs That little children make, The strident marching song of life Ring out for youth's dear sake; And we must voice the minor chords, Tremulous, sweet and low, If we would be in harmony As on through life we go.

EVERY DAY

By Rev. W. J. Lowrie, Windom, Minn.

I am building for God every day, And my hope is to build in His way; I trust not in self nor in skill, No! I seek for His mind and His will.

I am learning from Christ every day To heed what His Spirit may say; And I long to be willing and true To the task that He gives me to do.

I am joying in Christ every day As I walk in the King's highway, And the gleam of the city fair Is the light to my pathway there.

I am looking for Christ every day Just to come in His time and His way, And I hope that tomorrow may bring In its dawn the long tarrying King.

I am sure of His love and His care As I journey on pilgrimage there; And the end of the way is in sight— Lo! I hail its foregleams with delight. LIVING SERMONS

By Florence Belle Anderson, Norwalk, Conn.

There isn't a word that a preacher can say
No matter how lovely or true,
Nor is there a prayer that his eager lips pray
That can preach such a sermon as you.

You vowed to serve Christ, and men know that you

did,
They're watching the things that you do;
There isn't an action of yours that is hid,
Men are watching and studying you.

You say you're "no preacher," yes, but you preach A wonderful sermon each day;
The acts of your life are the things that you teach,
It isn't the things that you say.

If Christians, were Christians, as they do profess, Men would notice their glorified mien; And say, "What wondrous thing they possess Who follow the meek Nazarene!"

O Christians, remember you bear His dear name, Your lives are for others to view. You are living examples, men praise you, or blame And measure all Christians by you.

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#### The Church As Christ and His Apostles Saw It

By Professor J. Ritchie Smith, D. D., Princeton Theological Seminary, Princeton, N. J.

HE church may be defined in the simplest way as the society of Christ's disciples. We shall endeavor to see it not with our own poor dim eyes which discover in it only a company of weak and sinful men and women; but with the eyes of Jesus Christ, of Paul, of John, that is, with the eyes of God, that we may recognize in it a divine creation.

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#### As Christ Saw It

He named the church only twice (Matt. 16:18; 18:17), but He represented the relation between Himself and His disciples by several figures. They are the building which He shall construct the flock of which He is the Shepherd; the branches of the true Vine; the bride of whom He is the Bridegroom.

Moreover He provided for all the needs of the church, conferring upon it four

great gifts:

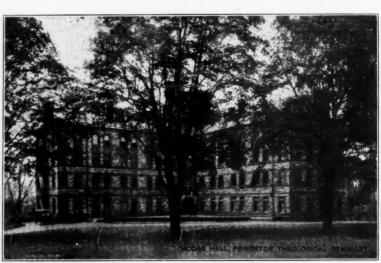
1. He gave to the church its creed, that is, He set forth, not in systematic form indeed, but in substance, the truth from which the creed must be fashioned, the truth which centers in Himself.

2. He gave to the church the apostles as teachers and leaders. Their inspiration differs from that of all other teachers in two respects. Through the Holy Spirit much was revealed to them that could never be discovered by the exercise of man's own powers. Such truths as

the trinity, the atonement, the course of history, the nature of the world that lies beyond the grave, could never be grasped by the unaided reason of men. And secondly, they were preserved from all error. All truth is of God, the truth of Plato as well as the truth of Paul, but in other teachers, the truth they taught is mingled with error. The apostles taught only what they were taught of God. They never venture beyond the limits of their commission, and the inspiration of the Spirit is no less manifest in restraining them from speaking without warrant than in guiding them into all the truth. The truth into which they were led was not knowledge of every kind, but the truth as it is in Jesus, for it is the office of the Spirit to testify of Him.

3. He gave to the church the sacra-

ments to be a badge of discipleship, a means of grace, a bond of union. But the sacraments ordained to be a bond of union have been the most prolific source of strife, division, bigotry, hatred, persecution, religious wars in the history of the church. They have rent the body of Christ asunder, torn it limb from limb. How and to whom shall baptism be administered? These questions have drawn broad lines of division through the church. The Lord's Supper was instituted in an atmosphere of strife as the disciples contended which among them should be greatest; and strife and contention have raged around it ever since. Bloody wars were waged and martyrs died on the scaffold and at the stake, because there were those who said the bread is the body and others who said the bread represents the body. darkest and bloodiest pages in the history of the church are those which depict the



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bitterness and hatred and bloodshed which have defiled the Lord's table.

The church has made a great advance toward Christian unity, yet the sacraments still divide us. It is not for us to say who is to blame, or seek to apportion the responsibility, but surely this is not according to the mind of Christ. The use of the sacraments holds constantly before our minds the divine idea and purpose, and they bear perpetual witness that in the thought of Christ the church is one.

4. He gave to the church its work—"Make disciples of all nations." A gigantic task. How can they hope to accomplish it? "All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth"; "Lo, I am with you always even unto the end of the world."

When He appeared to His disciples

after His resurrection, He said unto them, "As the Father hath sent me, even so send I you." Then He breathed on them, and said, "Receive ye the Holy Spirit." Thus He declared that they were sent into the world upon the same mission upon which He was sent, and were clothed with the same power.

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#### As Paul Saw It

There are four figures by which Paul represents the church:

1. The pillar and ground of the truth (1 Tim. 3:16). Christianity is a historical religion, and the great facts upon which it rests—the incarnation, the life, the death, the resurrection of Christ are attested and established by eye witnesses. And by the church the knowledge of truth is conveyed to men everywhere and in all ages. Moreover, the church is Christ's witness not only in this

world but in the world to come. "To the intent that now unto the principalities and powers in heavenly places might be known by the church the manifold wisdom of God" (Eph. 3:10). There is an experience of God's grace which only the redeemed may know, a song which only the redeemed may sing. The angels sit at the feet of the church to learn of the grace and truth that came by Jesus Christ.

2. The church is the temple of God. "Know ye not that ye are the temple

of God and that the Spirit of God dwelleth in you?" (1 Cor. 3:16). Sometimes the individual believer is represented as a temple. Augustine said, "Wouldst thou pray in a temple? Pray in thyself; for thou thyself art the temple of God." Even the body of the believer, like the body of his Master is a temple (1 Cor. 6:19). The Bible never speaks disparagingly of the human body. Paul does not say our vile body, but "the body of our humiliation" (Phil. 3:21). Our body is thrice glorified for it was created by God the Father, assumed by God the Son and is inhabited by God the Holy Spirit.

Sometimes a larger view is taken and the whole body of believers is represented as a temple (Eph. 2:20-22). And Peter uses a striking figure. "Ye also as living stones are built up a spiritual house" (1 Pet. 2:5). The church is a temple and

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the individual believers are the stones of which the temple is built.

3. The church is the body of Christ (Eph. 1:23). This thought Paul develops fully in 1 Corinthians 12. Christ is related to the church as the head to the body; or to put the thought in more familiar language, as the soul to the body.

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The soul is the life of the body for the body has no life of its own. When the soul departs the body returns to the dust from which it was taken. So is Christ the life of the church and of every member of it. The body is the organ and instrument of the soul. Through the organs and members of the flesh the soul accomplishes its work in this present life. After all the labors of societies for physical research, we are still compelled to believe that disembodied spirits play no appreciable part in the affairs of this The soul acts through the body. The story of Helen Keller shows us that the body is a prison, a place of solitary confinement, until the soul has learned in some degree the use of the senses, for through them alone do we come into relation to the world about us. So the church is the organ and instrument of Christ. Of course, we must not press the analogy too far. With men the body is dead without the soul and the soul is impotent without the body, but Christ is not limited to the church. He may work without it and it may be that He does work without it far more widely and mightily than we are accustomed to think. But ordinarily He chooses to work through His church. His people are His witnesses, His agents. The figure of the body further suggests the relation of believers to each other. As they are members of one body they are members of one another. The health and vigor of the body depends upon the degree in which each contributes its part to the welfare of the whole. The members of the body are united in the harmony of a common service.

4. The bride of Christ. In Ephesians 5, Paul treats of the relation of husband and wife and makes it the type of the relation of Christ to His people. After treating at length of marriage, he says, "This is a great mystery, but I speak concerning Christ and the church." The two thoughts are so blended together in the passage that they can hardly be distinguished. This thought of marriage as representing the relation of Christ and His people appears in the Old Testament, is suggested by Christ Himself and will meet us again when we study the teaching of John.

The church then is the witness of Christ, the temple of Christ, the body of Christ, the bride of Christ. Each of these relations involves a corresponding duty. As His witness, the church must be faithful, as His temple it must be holy, as His body it must be obedient, as His bride it must answer His love with love no less unmeasured.

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#### As John Saw It

In the opening and closing chapters of the Revelation, John has given us February, 1926

two contrasted pictures of the church, the church as it is and the church as it shall be when the work of grace is finished and the eternal glory is begun.

1. The church as pictured in the seven epistles. Observe that Christ is in the church as the soul is in the body. However ardently we may look for the personal and visible return of Christ, we must never forget that he is always present in His church, and we must prepare for His coming by hearing and obeying His Word. What does He see?

(1) A divided church. Some scholars hold that these seven churches represent successive stages of history. As man has his seven ages, so has the church. But this view cannot be maintained without much stretching and straining both of Scripture and of history. It is better to regard the seven churches as representing the universal church in every age. Each of the seven represents a type of church character and life which continually reappears. In every period of history, there are churches of Ephesus, Sardis, Laodicea and the rest. We find then, the church divided into churches. And this is not a mere geographical division. They differ widely in character and life. Some are greatly troubled with false doctrine. There are no new heresies. There have been none for a thousand years. We may almost say there have been none since John wrote to the seven churches. Old errors are revamped, modified in detail, thrown into new combinations, but essentially all the possibilities of heresy were exhausted long ago. The wit of man cannot frame a system of error which is new. All forms of false doctrine which are found today have already been met and overcome by the church. The germs of all of them may be found in the earliest records of the church and for all of them there is an answer and an antidote in the Word of God.

(2) An imperfect church. False doctrines are found and sins even of a gross and scandalous kind, are seen. Compare the church as it lay in the mind of Jesus and of Paul, the ideal church, with these poor churches, disturbed by heresy, defiled by sin. But Christ loves them, weak and sinful as they are. He speaks to them the word they need to hear, the word of rebuke, of warning, of comfort, of promise. One great word rings through every message—overcome. The church is at war with the world. They represent opposing and hostile principles. The church must conquer the world or the world will destroy the church. There are three great passages in which the word "overcome" is found:

a. John 16:33, "In the world ye shall have tribulation: but be of good cheer; I have overcome the world."

b. 1 John 5:4, "This is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith." Faith unites us to Christ and because we are in Him we have part in His conflict and victory. He conquers the world for us and again He conquers the world in us. As the seed of the woman He bruises the serpent's head. And to all who put their faith in Him the

promise is given. "The God of peace shall bruise Satan under your feet shortly."

c. To him that overcometh all the promises are given. It would be a whole-some exercise if the officers and members of each of our churches should sometime set themselves to ponder the question, To which type of church life does our church belong? Have we lost our first love like the church of Ephesus? Are we warm, self-satisfied and complacent like the church of Laodicea? Or, are we rich in faith and good works like the church of Smyrna? Have we kept the word of our Lord like the church of Philadelphia? And let us inquire how far we are personally responsible for the shortcoming of the church. What have we contributed to its vigor and fruitfulness? Then let us inquire what has Christ to say to us, to me.

2. The church depicted in Revelation, chapters 20-22.

(1) A united church. The seven have grown to one. There is no longer a church of Ephesus and Philadelphia and the rest. There is but one city-the New Jerusalem, and this outward unity represents a spiritual union of faith and heart and purpose. They are one in the truth and love and service of their common Lord. The prayer of Jesus that they all may be one, so long hindered by the weakness and wickedness of men, reaches at last its glorious fulfilment. The unity for which He prayed was a catholic unity, that they all may be one. A spiritual unity, "as we are one." A spiritual unity, "as we are one." A visible unity, "that the world may see and know and believe." The outward and visible sign of spiritual unity is brotherly love. "By this shall all men know that ye are my disciples if ye have love one to another."

(2) A perfect church. Look at that picture and on this. Into the New Jerusalem nothing may enter that defileth or worketh abomination or maketh a lie. No error, no sin can abide the light of the eternal city. The purity, the holiness of the church reflect the purity and holiness of God. The promise is fulfilled that we shall be like Him because we shall see Him as He is. One picture represents the church at war, the other the church at peace. bride betrothed has become the wedded wife. The bride surrenders herself to her husband and he takes her to his home and hers, that she may be his and he may be hers in one unbroken fellowship of love forever. Thus Christ presents it to Himself, a glorious church not having spot or wrinkle or any such thing, but holy and without blemish. So great is the contrast between the church that is and the church that shall be. Yet that church grows out of this. The church in every age, on earth, in heaven, is one. The multitude that no man can number, who throng the streets of the New Jerusalem and sing the song of the redeemed, have come from Ephesus and Smyrna and other churches of earth. There is not one in all that mighty host who was not a sinner redeemed by the grace of God.

# How D. L. Moody Lives in the Institute He Founded

"When I die I shall leave some grand men and women behind."—D. L. Moodu

By Mrs. Newton Wray

#### III

#### "To the Otherwise Unreached"

IN THE far north of our land is a section all foreign. Here a single county covers 6,600 square miles and is infested by I. W. W.'s, communists, bolshevists and fugitives from justice. In one community families with children have been banished, lest some one undertake the education of the children and reform existing conditions. One man boasted that no preacher should ever stop in his village, nor should children be permitted to grow up there, because "some one might start cleaning up the town."

Communistic practices and tenets are enforced, extending in some communities to the public ownership of women and girls, wives and daughters. Any who do not adopt these practices are looked upon as enemies of the community.

Overthrow of the national government is confidently anticipated among these lawless people, who hold their jobs and make their calculations accordingly. These men may work in the mines or hire to a farmer for a short time, then having drawn the few days' pay, stop work with the statement, "This will last until the government is overthrown." Some of these undesirables stay on and on, not daring to leave because of the danger of being apprehended for crimes committed.

In some communities no girl is virtuous, and little ones are constantly exposed to appalling temptation in organized public dances and park "petting parties." "Free love" is the popular hobby.

Yet scattered here and there are good people, pioneers, striving to earn their living and build their homes. For the sake of their children they avoid strike controversy, but they are persecuted in every way by the communists.

#### **Bible Memory Contests**

Into this lawless country some six years ago came Mr. and Mrs. J. Lloyd

Hunter, graduates of the Moody Bible Institute where they had "caught the vision" and dedicated themselves to Christian work. As missionaries of the American Sunday School Union, though

warned of threatening evils, they believed they were under God's care and appointment, and set out in His name on their missionary undertaking. Visiting the sick, relieving the suffering, helping the needy, ministering to the children, they have continued with God's blessing upon them and many souls have sealed their ministry.

In a single county they have organized Christian work in 175 communities. But in this northern section 30,000 people live from ten to fifty miles from any church or Sunday-school and must be reached in their homes. And this devoted couple, with organizing, teaching, evangelizing, preaching, have found time for a very new and very successful undertaking, consisting of Bible study contests among the thousands of children unreached by the Sunday-school. There are so many of these children, scattered over such a vast territory, that to reach them by regular Sunday-school organization would require twenty-five years, according to Mr. Hunter. Therefore to reach them at all "and help them to go right before they go wrong" he was forced to adopt a new course.

By these memory contests, to which any child is eligible, more than a thousand children have been definitely converted and saved to Christian living and Christian work. Children outside of the Sunday-schools are memorizing 60,000 Bible verses annually and practically all are directly converted by the Scripture itself

Good citizens and thoughtful parents welcome the contests and assist the missionaries who send announcements of the



Bible contests wherever there are children under ten. Little tots of four and five sometimes enroll, and often the parents and older children are converted as a result. The children themselves are real missionaries among their playmetes.

Mr. Hunter went into one terrible community, sinful and illiterate, where no one had ever remained in school past the eighth grade, and few had reached that grade. Here a little girl of eight named Sylvia, gave her name and memorized twenty-five Bible verses, the first test. The next year six of her playmates entered and were converted. The next year there were seventeen. Then Sylvia sought the missionary and said, "You must help me pray for my three broth-These boys, stalwart and redblooded, had fought in France and they at first laughed at the little girl. But through her ministry they and their older sister were finally converted.

Another little girl named Aino, won the championship by memorizing 1,600 Bible verses. She says: "When I told the older folks in our town that I was converted, they laughed and told me I was too young to be a Christian. So I studied my Bible and I found where it says, 'Remember now thy Creator in the days of thy youth,' and I decided I was not too young to do that."

For learning the first twenty-five verses assigned, a child receives a New Testament. For 120 verses a book is given, and for 500 verses an outing of six days at a summer camp, sustained by

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One of the twenty summer Bible schools in which there were one hundred and fifty conversions in one season. This school is eighteen miles from the nearest railroad

the missionary. Last year 175 children were eligible for this outing.

"Then I Shall Know It Is God" as "sponges" and Mr. Hunter has placed nearly sixty among the socialistic.

boys and girls in local high schools, where they are selfsupporting, but for whom he is respon-Five are in Bible schools, preparing to assist him and advance the work. Twenty young women, "brought up by Mr. Hunt-er," as the people say, have already gone out without remuneration to teach in summer vacation Bible schools in his dis-Last year trict. from the twenty schools thus served these girls reported 120 conversions.

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One of the teachers, Helen Niemi, begged for a hard field because, she

said "If it is easy I might think it was I who did the work, but if it is hard I shall know it is God." Another, Marion Peterson, who worked with Helen, said she had found out that "the most important thing in Bible teaching is to let God lead." Both these girls are pledging themselves to this work. Three of Mr. Hunter's young people were graduated last year at the Moody Bible Institute.

The missionaries, together with preachers, evangelists and teachers, are classed as "sponges" and "non-productive" among the socialistic. They are con-

tinually threatened and recognize the wisdom of being en guard.

A little fellow who had learned his verses wanted the missionary to come and hear him recite them at the Christmas program in his school. The teacher said it would not be safe for the missionary to be seen in this community. Butthe boy felt so disap-pointed that his father sent a letter to the missionary warning him not to come without police guard but to come, and he himself would be prepared to protect the visitors during the program!

Mr. Hunter's working motto is, "To the Otherwise Unreached." When it was suggested to him that his salary should be increased, in view of the danger and the many demands upon his resources, the missionary replied, "No, money is needed to promote the work, to help the young people who are preparing to assist us, and to put new missionaries in the field. But I could not accept an increase of salary. I must suffer with my people!"



Helen Niemi and Marion Peterson

#### THE SECOND MILE James M. Gray

If one bid thee go a mile, Go with him the second mile; Let not duty set thy pace, Christian love keeps step with grace.

It is thus with Jesus' love, Love all other love above; Jesus fills our cup and more; Fills it till it runneth o'er. Love like this in you and me, Setting us at liberty, Freeing us from self and sin, Lost and dying souls would win.

Ah, my brother, will it pay? At Christ's judgment-seat some day It will have been worth our while To have gone the second mile!

#### WHAT ARE YOU MISSING?

It is said that the great violinist Ole Bull, and Eriksson, the famous inventor and manufacturer, had been schoolmates in Sweden, and when many years later they met in New York the violinist invited his friend to come and hear him play. Eriksson put him off from time to time, saying all the music he cared about was the hum and whir of his factory wheels. Finally Ole Bull went out to see Eriksson and called on him at his factory. Taking out his violin in the presence of a crowd of workmen he said he would like to have Eriksson tell him with his mechanical knowledge how to repair it, and in order to show him what was wrong he began to play. It was not long till all the wheels had stopped and all the workmen were listening spellbound, Eriksson among them, to the unearthly music. Suddenly Ole Bull stopped playing and apologized for taiking so much time. But the tears were running down the cheeks of the old mechanic and he cried, "No, no, go on, go on; I never knew till today what I had lost out of my life!" Beloved, there is something worth much more than music that you can lose out of your life. Oh, that God would send some voice to wake the chords of your hungry soul until the deeper instincts of your being are quickened into life and you find what a heaven of light and life and love your selfishness, your sordidness and earthliness have lost you out of your life.

#### HIDDEN FROM THE STRIFE OF TONGUES

PSALM 31:20

There is a "Secret Place" for the misunderstood and slandered (Ps. 31: 20). "Thou shalt keep them secretly from the strife of tongues." Some of life's sorest wounds have been inflicted by the tongue. The thoughtless word, the unkind criticism, and cruel faultfinding! Who has not suffered from the tongue wound? Have we learned that there is a placea secret place-where we may hide, and where the wound ceases to hurt? "Thou shalt be hid from the scourge of tongues" (Job 5: 21). In that secret place there is a Presence that sweetens the bitterness and heals the wound. Many a life has been permanently disqualified as a worker for God through not knowing this "Secret Place." Bitter feelings of resentment have sprung up in the heart against a fellow saint who has spoken ungraciously and unkindly. Instead of hastening to the "Secret Place," the injured one has thought of the injury, and talked about it, until a bitter, unforgiving spirit has taken possession. The Holy Spirit is grieved, and the rivers of spiritual power cease to flow.

God knew the danger of His child, exposed to the strife of tongues, and in His infinite love and wisdom provided this place of hiding where the bleeding heart can be healed, and the wounded feelings calmed, and the overwrought nerves steadied.

-H. W. Mallis.

#### Defense of Gospel Hymn Music

By Henry J. Cornelius, Glen Ellyn, Ill.

Reply to an Article in The Etude by Mr. Charles Galloway

This article in substance was declined by The Etude. We publish it however, not in any reflection on our musical contemporary for rejecting it, but simply out of respect to the author of the article and because we believe he has truth on his side. We ourselves have no criticism to make of Mr. Galloway's article to which we could give only a cursory examination, except to say that he appears to have much to learn about gospel music and the place it occupies in the history of revivals since the days of the Wesleys. We observed also that he failed to discriminate between the average gospel hymn of the Moody and Sankey period and the caricature of it that is sometimes exploited today. Moody and Sankey were not in the business for pecuniary profit.—Editors.

HE writer has been identified thirty years, and has personally best-known gospel hymn writers of that nates melody and harmony suffer. But

period, including the greatly loved Ira D. Sankey, James McGranahan, D. B. Towner, George C. Stebbins, Charles C. Case, Charles H. Gabriel, P. P. Bilhorn, E. O. Excell, Robert Harkness, Grant C. Tullar and others. It is with regret therefore, that from time to time in late years, the writer has found musical magazines, including The Etude, attacking the gospel hymn style of music. In the magazine named, gospel hymn music is characterized as musical rubbish, to which we take excep-

True, there are some gospel hymns more worthy than others and some of little or no merit, but is not the same true of all music? The "Sweet Bye and Bye" is one of the best loved hymns ever written and will never grow old. Any one knowing the origin of that grand old song, "Hold the Fort," written during the Civil War, must admire its patriotic import and also its ability to fire men's hearts with courage and zeal for righteousness.

One writer mentioned in The Etude article, said that gospel hymn music is not qualified to express praise. One wonders if he ever heard James Mc-Granahan's "Hallelujah for the Cross," sung by a thousand voices? No one ever heard more fitting praise at any time or anywhere than that song expresses. And what of "The Glory Song," by Charles H. Gabriel, which has been sung the world over?

with gospel hymn music for over three strong characteristics of gospel not learn to worship and praise Him thirty years, and has personally hymn music are "rhythm, rhythm, through the gospel hymns? Would you met, seen or heard most of the rhythm," and that if rhythm predomi-

Again we read in this article that the with the knowledge of God? Do they expect children of tender years to sing "The Messiah," great and wonderful

as it is? Or the old meter tunes? they catch the import or the rhythm of Luther's "Ein Feste Burg," much as we love it?

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The Etude writer cites an extract from Dr. Merz who says Sunday-school tunes are silly parodies of church music. May I call his attention to the fact that many of our Sundayschool songs are transcriptions of the great masters?

How can Rev. Charles Graves, whom the writer quotes, call the works of such honored Christians as Stebbins, Sankey, Kilpatrick and others, jingling and non-sacred? He must be unacquainted with either the works or the character of these men.

How can Dr. J. E. Aldous desecrate the sacred memory of D. L. Moody and Ira D. Sankey, whose influence for righteousness shook the world and will never die? How wrong to say that the songs of Sankey remind one of the burlesque and circus! I have never seen

a gospel hymn written in jazz style. If a gospel hymn is jazzed it is the interpretation of the performer and not the music. It is true that the Salvation Army adopts popular music for many of their songs, but we believe that the end justifies the means, for tongue can never tell the amount of good done in the world by the Salvation Army.

Mr. Galloway, if you are anxious to elevate the music of your church, do not

D. B. Towner Charles C. Gabriel James McGranaban Ira D. Sankey P. P. Bilhorn George C. Stebbins

> is not rhythm a strong point in favor of the gospel hymn? Are not motives and rhythmic figures the basic principle of all musical form?

It is said that gospel music appeals only to children in the Sunday-school, but why not? Is not this one of the purposes for which it is written? Why should The Etude writer say that it is a shame that our children sing that kind of music? Does it not fill their minds

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consign your Sunday-school hymns, as you suggest, to the ash-barrel, but study them more earnestly and catch their spirit and you will write better church hymns.

Not long ago the present writer received a letter from a Baptist minister bearing this note of regret: "Who will write our gospel hymns in the days to come? Sankey, Towner, Sweeney, Bliss, Excell and others are gone. Who will fill their places?"

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If the writings of these men are silly, non-sacred jingles, why do many of our schools and colleges place upon them the honorary degrees of Doctor of Music? There stands upon the walls of the former Moody Church of Chicago, now

used as the auditorium of the Moody Bible Institute, a bronze tablet dedicated to the memory of Dr. D. B. Towner, one of the greatest of gospel hymn writers as well as a most amiable Christian, whose songs "Anywhere With Jesus," "Trust and Obey," "Paul and Silas," and many more will never be forgotten or grow old.

No! Gospel hymn writers are not to be characterized as musical fakirs, but men of God, endowed with His Spirit, who are among the finest examples of Christian character who ever lived in our

One of the evidences of good music, we believe, is longevity. Many of our gospel hymns will never die. "The gospel hymns will never die.

fumes" of gospel music, as termed in Mr. Galloway's article, do not ooze or fade away, thank God. Their hallowed inspiration lives forever in all the languages of the earth to comfort the sad, to save the fallen and to make men live again. There are countless lives redeemed, characters regained, former wrecks of men made to live again, wives and children made happy all over the earth, and all brought about as a result of the mighty influence of the gospel in song.

No power on earth has done more for the world and humanity in the way of eternal and lasting good than that of gospel hymn music. To God be glory and eternal praise.

#### When Sankey Sang the "Shepherd Song" on Christmas Eve

By I. M. Anderson in The Rock of My Salvation

HILDREN, did you ever hear of Moody and Sankey? Dwight L. Moody was a man to whom God had given wonderful power and ability to preach the gospel of Jesus Christ. Ira D. Sankey was another man to whom God had given wonderful power to sing the same gospel. For years these two men worked together, Moody preaching and Sankey singing. In the year 1875 they had both been in Liverpool serving their Master in that great city. Toward the end of the year they returned to America.

It happened that on Christmas Eve of this year, 1875, Mr. Sankey was traveling by steamboat up the Delaware River. It was a calm, starlight evening and there were many passengers gathered on the deck. Mr. Sankey was asked to sing, and, as always, he was perfectly willing to do so. He stood there leaning against one of the great funnels of the boat, and his eyes were raised to the starry heavens in quiet prayer. It was his intention to sing a Christmas song, but somehow he was driven almost against his will to sing the "Shepherd

"Saviour, like a shepherd lead us, Much we need Thy tenderest care; In Thy pleasant pastures feed us For our use Thy folds prepare: Blessed Jesus,

Thou hast bought us, Thine we are.

"We are Thine, do Thou befriend us, Be the Guardian of our way; Keep Thy flock, from sin defend us, Seek us when we go astray:
Blessed Jesus,
Hear, oh, hear us when we pray.

"Thou hast promised to receive us, Poor and sinful though we be; Thou hast mercy to relieve us, Grace to cleanse and power to free; Blessed Jesus, We will early turn to Thee.

"Early let us seek Thy favor,
Early let us do Thy will;
Blessed Lord and only Saviour,
With Thy love our bosoms fill;
Blessed Jesus,
Thou hast loved us, love us still."

There was a deep stillness. Words and melody, welling forth from the singer's soul, floated out over the deck and the quiet river. Every heart was touched. After the song was ended, a man with a rough, weather-beaten face came up to Mr. Sankey and said.

"Did you ever serve in the Union army?"

"Yes," answered Mr. Sankey, "in the spring of 1860."

"Can you remember if you were doing picket duty on a bright, moonlight night

"Yes," answered Mr. Sankey, very much surprised.

"So did I," said the stranger, "but I was serving in the Confederate army. When I saw you standing at your post I thought to myself: 'That fellow will never get away from here alive.' raised my musket and took aim. I was standing in the shadow completely concealed, while the full light of the moon was falling upon you. At that instant, just as a moment ago, you raised your eyes to heaven and began to sing. Music, especially song, has always had a wonderful power over me, and I took my finger off the trigger.

"'Let him sing his song to the end, I said to myself, 'I can shoot him afterwards. He's my victim at all events, and my bullet cannot miss him.'

"But the song you sang then was the song you sang just now. I heard the words perfectly:

'We are Thine, do Thou befriend us, Be the Guardian of our way.

"Those words stirred up many memories in my heart. I began to think of my childhood and my God-fearing mother. She had many, many times sung that song to me. But she died all too soon, otherwise much in my life would no doubt have been different.

"When you had finished your song, it was impossible for me to take aim at you again. I thought: 'The Lord who is able to save that man from certain death must surely be great and mighty'-

and my arm of its own accord dropped limp at my side.

"Since that time I have wandered about far and wide; but when I just now saw you standing there praying just as on that other occasion, I recognized you. Then my heart was wounded by your song; now I wish that you may help me to find a cure for my sick soul.

Deeply moved, Mr. Sankey threw his arms about the man who in the days of the war had been his enemy. And this Christmas night the two went together to the manger in Bethlehem. There the stranger found Him who was their common Saviour, the Good Shepherd, who seeks for the lost sheep until He finds it. And when He was found it, He lays it on His shoulders, rejoicing.

There is no need to worry or be troub-led about tomorrow. The same Father who took care of us yesterday and last year will care for us through all the days and all the years. And whatever may happen, he is able to adjust his care of you to the case. He has always done so and his power and love are the same now as in the past.

#### LAND OF BYE-AND BYE

The mystery of the great beyond Is like a road of gold, That stretches high upon the hill, With future joys untold.

And at the summit of the hill It meets the azure sky; But no one can look down into The land of Bye-and-Bye.

Behind, are shadows of the dusk And mem'ries growing gray; Before, the golden summit where Dawn brings another day.

And if the golden road we trudge Straight to the azure sky, Oh, then we're very sure to reach The land of Bye-and-Bye. -Priscilla Gunthorp.

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#### Memorial to Miss Huston

HARLESANNA Lukens Huston, of Philadelphia, died on the 27th of June, 1924. In the first paragraph of her last will and testament, she said:

"Under a solemn sense of responsi-bility to Almighty God, my heavenly Father, the Giver of every good and perfect gift, including all things tem-poral, and recognizing that I am only His steward in the matter of the means He has entrusted to my care, I now make this my last will and testament

make this my last will and testament after much prayerful consideration, and much waiting upon God for definite guidance in its various details.

"I believe that as God has kept me free from the closest of earthly ties, such as husband and children, it is therefore His purpose that I should live solely unto Him. I further believe that He would have me devote the that He would have me devote the greater part of such moneys as He has placed in my hands for the spread of the glorious gospel of Jesus Christ my Lord. I believe this especially because so far as I know, my nearest relatives do not really need such estate for their personal support."

The twenty-fourth paragraph of her will and testament reads:

"I give and bequeath to the Moody Bible Institute, now located at Institute Place, Chicago, Illinois, the sum of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000), said sum to be invested and the income therefrom to be used in the support of young men and women while they are fitting themselves in the Institute for foreign mission work; but those in charge of said Institute shall have discretionary power to expend at any time the whole or any part of the principal of this bequest in further-ance of its work."

The forty-third paragraph reads:

"I direct that all the various religious and missionary organizations which are beneficiaries under my foregoing will, shall receive such bequests on the following conditions, and must give a written pledge to this effect to my Trustee before any payment is made by them to such organization or organizations, viz: That the money shall be applied only for such work or workers as shall stand thoroughly true to the following conditions:

1. The divine and plenary inspira-tion of the Holy Scriptures; their full integrity and final authority for faith and practice.

The Trinity; including the deity of Jesus Christ.
 The atonement through the shed

blood and substitutionary death of Jesus Christ.

"Should any religious or missionary organization or organizations named as a beneficiary in this Will be unwilling to accept these conditions, then I direct that all bequests to such organization or organizations shall be given in equal share to the three above-named Bible Societies, viz: Pennsyl-vania Bible Society, American Bible Society and the Scripture Gift Mission, to be used forthwith in distribution of the Scriptures."

The Moody Bible Institute happily, and by God's grace, was able to fulfill the conditions of paragraph forty-three, and accepted the responsibility of Miss Huston's bequest. In recognition of the bequest, the Institute has named a recently acquired block of buildings in honor of the testatrix. "Huston Row" is located on West Chestnut Street at Wells, and consists of six three-story and basement brick dwellings, used as dormitories, and capable of accommodating eightyseven students.

# Special to Sunday-school Superintendents and Workers

The Moody Bible Institute Monthly has been able to secure copies of the Historical chart of the Life and Ministry of Christ published by the Sunday School Times.

This is an exceptional chart in its simplicity and in the details covered. It takes the life of Christ through all its many periods. It is outlined and in seven colors, and can easily be referred to with a pointer.

It is instructive and of great value in fixing in the minds of pupils the lessons taught each Sunday.

These charts retail at \$4.00 each, but the Moody Bible Institute Monthly is offering them FREE with each order of four subscriptions to the Monthly at \$2.00 each.

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How Sherwin Cody has been able, by means of a remarkable invention, to improve the speech and writing of thousands of persons in fifteen minutes a day.

PRACTICALLY all the many formulas for success can be minus for success can be sufficiently in this simple principle: You must be able to make other persons do what you wish. How can you successfully command others to do what you wish, how can you move others by inspiration, how can you persuade and convince—when your vocabulary is sadly limited and you can speak neither fluently nor correctly? In every field of endeavor, the outstanding men are those who speak and write with clarity and force. They may be known as "silent men," but may be known as "silent men," but when they must talk, they can do so! Their words then bite like chisels into the brains of other people, and their will is carried out!

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#### Why Most Persons Make Mistakes

What is the reason so many persons are deficient in the use of English and find their careers stunted in consequence? ind their careers stunted in consequence?
Why is it some can not spell correctly,
and others can not punctuate? Why do
so many persons find themselves at a
loss for words to express their meaning
adequately? The reason for the deficiency is clear. Sherwin Cody discovered it in scientific tests, which he personally gave to tens of thousands of persons. Most persons do not write and speak good English, simply because they never formed the habit of doing so.

#### What Sherwin Cody Has Done

The formation of any habit comes only from constant practice. Shakespeare, you may be sure, never studied rules. No one who writes and speaks correctly thinks of rules when he is doing so. For years it has been a crying disgrace! Here is our mother tongue, a language that has built up our civilization, and without which we should still be muttering savages! Yet our schools, by wrong methods, have made it a study to be avoided—the hardest of tasks instead of the most fascinating of games!

In that point lies the real difference between Sherwin Cody and the schools!
Here is an illustration: Some years ago
Mr. Cody was invited by William Wirt,
author of the famous Gary System of Education, to teach English to all upper grade pupils in Gary, Indiana. By means of unique practice exercises Mr. Cody secured more improvement in these pupils in five weeks than previously had been obtained by similar pupils in two years under old methods. There was no guess work about these results. They were proved by scientific comparisons. Amazing as this improvement was, more interesting still was the fact that the children were "wild" about the study. It was like playing a game!



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in a simple, unique, sensible way. Suppose he himself were standing forever at your elbow. Every time you mis-pronounced or misspelled a word, every time you violated correct grammatical usage, every time you used the wrong word to express what you meant, suppose you could hear him whisper: "That is wrong, it should be thus and so." In a short time, you habitually would use the correct form and the right words in speaking and writing.

If you continued to make the same mis-

takes over and over again, each time patiently he would tell you what was right. He would be, as it were, an everlasting mentor beside you—a mentor who would not laugh at you, but who would, on the contrary, support and help you. The 100% Self-Correcting Device does precisely this thing. It is Mr. Cody's silent voice behind you, ready to speak out whenever you commit an error. It finds your mistakes and concentrates on them. You do not need to learn anything you already know. There are thing you already know.
no rules to memorize.

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tion to handicap us in our writing.
Finally, he discovered that twenty-five



Suppose you could hear Mr. Cody correct your mistakes in English every time you make them? In a short time you would acquire the habit of using the correct form and the right word in speaking and writing

typical errors in grammar constitute ninetenths of our everyday mistakes. one has learned to avoid these twenty-

one has learned to avoid these twenty-five pitfalls, how readily one can attain that facility of speech which denotes the person of breeding and education! When the study of English is made so simple it becomes clear that progress can be made in a very short time. No more than fifteen minutes a day are required. Fifteen minutes, not of study, but of fascinating practice! Mr. Cody's students do their work in any spare moment they can snatch. They do it riding to work or at home. They take fifteen minutes from the time usually spent in profitless reading or amusement. results really are phenomenal.

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This department gives opportunity for bringing together many matters of real interest to the readers of the *Monthly* which do not find a natural place in any of the classified departments. Here will be a real potpourrie, a "literary production composed of parts brought together without order or bond of connection."

#### NO SCOTCH SERMONS ON AIR

The Glasgow Presbytery of the Church of Scotland has decided to instruct its ministers to refuse facilities for the radiocasting of whole church services on the ground that it tends to make people absent themselves from church.

-Chicago Daily News.

Bishop Edwin Holt Hughes, resident bishop of the Chicago area of the Methodist Episcopal church, was interviewed concerning the vote of the Methodist Episcopal church and the Methodist Episcopal church (South), on the unification of the two churches. Bishop Hughes is a member of the joint commission, Bishop Wm. F. McDowell, now of Washington, D. C., being chairman of the commission of the Methodist Episcopal church.

Bishop Hughes said: "The voting in the conferences of the two churches is practically completed. Unification carries overwhelmingly in the Methodist Episcopal church, the favoring vote being almost 95 per cent. In the Methodist Episcopal church (South) the required constitutional majority is three-fourths. The vote falls far short of this, but it is evident that the final returns will show a numerical majority of between 300 and 400. Personally, I regard this as a great victory, inasmuch as this is the first time since the separation in 1844 that the two churches have reached the state of voting.

"Of course, it would not be delicate for the Methodist Episcopal church to push matters at this juncture, but our tremendous vote indicates plainly that we are ready to trust fully our southern brethren, and to meet any future propositions in a generous and welcoming spirit."

Dr. R. J. Wade, secretary of the General Conference, announced the official vote so far received by him from the annual conferences of the Methodist Episcopal church as 10,521 ministerial votes in favor and 672 against; the laymen voted 6,910 for and 179 against. This is clearly a constitutional majority in favor of unification. The Methodist Episcopal church constitution requires a two-thirds majority and the Methodist Episcopal church (South) requires a three-fourths majority.—World Service Commission of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

#### A BIBLE FOR WOMEN

That women may soon be admitted to the ministry in the Church of England and that persons now living may see a feminine Archbishop of Canterbury is asserted on high authority. Reasons of sentiment and justice for making the change are enforced by a very practical reason—a scarcity of men candidates for ordination felt for thirty years and now become an acute handicap.

Women preachers in growing numbers already are found in this country, and probably also in English churches other than the established church. In fact, an International Association of Women Preachers now exists, though chiefly recruited and exclusively officered by residents of the United States. At the latest annual meeting of this association still another translation of the Bible was rather seriously considered, for a more accurate rendering of divers passages on which church restrictions as to their sex are justified. A passage cited as typical of other passages by the association secretary, Rev. Marie Wilcox of Red Cloud, Neb., is Romans 16:1, in which Paul "commends unto you Phebe, our sister, which is a 'diakonos' of the church which is at Cenchrea." The word "diakonos," translated "minister" or "deacon" when the reference is to men, is translated "servant" when the reference is to women. So because the translators were men, Phebe becomes a "servant" of the church instead of a "minister" or "deacon."

The association's recording secretary, Rev. Lee Anna Star of Bellevue, Pa., has written a book to combat impressions due to faulty translations. Women are in the pulpit to stay and this association seems destined to become a very powerful religious organization in future years. One of its curious features is the enrolment as "memorial members" of women who have passed away-Susannah Wesley, Lucretia Mott, Catherine Booth and Amanda Smith being among those so enrolled. It has scholarly living women qualified to engage in the translation if it is decided to prepare their -Selected. Women's Bible.

#### CHURCH GROWTH IN CHICAGO

Not the least item in the "truth-telling" survey of the Chicago Association of Commerce, which has attracted wide attention because of the marvelous progress thus revealed in all phases of the city's life within a period of twenty years, is the record of spiritual progress as shown in the increase in church membership and in the funds supplied for church purposes.

Through Clifford W. Barnes, president of the Chicago Church Federation, eighteen Protestant denominations reported 731 building enterprises in the two decades, with an investment of more than \$64,000,000 in new buildings and equipment. The advance made by the Roman Catholics is indicated in the increase from 250 to 308 parishes. From Jewish headquarters came reports of

unparalleled construction of new synagogues and schools. The Protestant increase in church membership was more than 168,000, and while figures from the other religious groups are not at hand their proportionate advance doubtless was fully as great.

It may be said, conservatively, that Chicago has spent upward of \$150,000,000 in the last twenty years in the erection of houses of worship and auxiliary units. This is a worthy contribution to the city's material progress. It is a mark of the steady advancement which makes of Chicago one of the greatest church centers in the world. In spite of all the distractions and artificialities of modern metropolitan life, the city has continued to exalt righteousness and make material things subservient to spiritual things.

Chicago's spiritual leadership has been recognized by more than a score of great religious organizations in establishing here their leading institutions for ministerial training. Indeed, this city, when all religious beliefs are taken into account, may claim to be the leading theological center of the world. In the matter of church leadership no other city in America or abroad compares with it either in resources or enrolment.

Since an undue amount of opprobrium has been cast upon Chicago through exaggerated reports of its crime, the present is a particularly opportune time, as the Association of Commerce has realized, for taking stock of the city's constructive assets and making them generally known. And of unsurpassed importance is the advance made in twenty years by the spiritual forces of the community.—Chicago Daily News.

#### SAYS RELIGION CAN HEAL

Spiritual healing is an outstanding fact of contemporary religious life, declares the report of a joint commission to be presented to the general convention of the Protestant Episcopal church at New Orleans, in October.

The commission, appointed to study the entire subject, "commonly known as Christian healing," says in its report:

"The commission finds a rapidly increasing desire that the church confirm the belief that there is therapeutic value in the Christian religion. Religious and material means for cure must go hand in hand in ministry to the sick. It is often difficult to tell where the one leaves off and the other begins.

"Faith in God and faith in physician must be blended for best results. Both minister and physician know that the power of healing is something apart from themselves; that their function in healing is to assist by restoring the conditions—physical, moral and spiritual—under which this power may best operate.

"A fundamental principle is that God works and man works. Experience teaches that God does not do for man what man is capable of doing for himself; that man's failure can thwart the accomplishment of God's purposes. Thus faith finds its appropriate place in cooperation with the law of God."

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"By creation man is an inseparable unity of soul and body." "Religion and medicine must go hand in hand in ministry to the sick." "The co-operation of man and God is a necessary part of the process of healing."

There is an indirect reference to the Christian Science church in the following extract from the report: "We are challenged as to whether we shall allow this essentially Christian ministry to be sought outside, or whether we are to make it a normal part of the church's life. We must see to it that we do not afford a basis for another separatist movement, but should realize that the healing ministry is normal to the life of the church."

-Chicago Daily News.

#### A THOUGHT FOR OUR EDUCATORS

It is too bad that Dr. P. B. Fitzwater, a dean of the Evening School of the Moody Bible Institute of Chicago, did not defer his return home long enough to lay some of his views before the Virginia Educational Conference. For the last fifty years, particularly during the last thirty years, he said in an address here Sunday night, the school textbooks, even those used in elementary grades, have been given such a form that those who study them have their thought molded in terms of the "philosophy of the hour, which runs contrary to the truths of the Bible." And so on to this thought:

The devil has gotten hold of the educational system of America and of the world. Although there was a great cry, during the war, against the teaching of the German language in the schools, we still teach German philosophy in the schools. The World War was brought on by false philosophy.

Since many of the authorities who will assemble in Norfolk this week are directly and indirectly responsible for the character of our public school texts, we take the liberty of tentatively identifying them with the Beelzebub of Dr. Fitzwater's indictment, and putting to them the question that he himself would put to them if he were here: How long are you going to permit our school texts to teach the theories, philosophies and concepts of today, instead of the scientific and philosophic finalities of Aristotle?

And here is another question our Virginia educators might ponder: Since, in the light of the cultural revelation of the war-period, the German language was shown to be a crude method of expression fit only for horses, why do you arrangers of study courses and writers of text-books continue to teach German philosophy in the schools?

And if, perchance, you answer that our public school texts no more teach Kant, Schlegel, Fichte or Spinoza, than they do the theories of Herr Einstein, we shall, still in our capacity of self-appointed proxy for Dr. Fitzwater,

reply: "No matter, you teach German history which is just as bad. And you are not alone in this devilish business, for American doctors continue to use Ehrlich's German salvarsan and American ministers continue to permit the use of Mendelssohn's German wedding march. (I ought to be stopped. What are you going to do about it?"—Virginian Pilot, Norfolk, Va.)

#### GAPS IN EVOLUTION

Practically all evolutionists establish their case upon "assumption" or "inference" or "conjecture." But not a few of the public, who have no time or inclination to go to the trouble of reasoning, will naturally grasp these assumptions and call them "facts."

If certain groups of birds of the present were derived from primitive reptiles, then it remains that it should be possible to cross a reptile with a bird, for they must be "blood relatives."

Can you thus produce offspring by crossing a reptile with a bird? If so which can be crossed, which species can be "transmuted?" Also where can we

get a view of these "reptile-birds?"

I note that a correspondent, in his interview with a learned professor, has been told of the so-called "fossil pedigree" of the horse, which is supposed to have ascended from a five-toed form. This supposed evidence has been built upon the mere resemblance of these various forms. Where is there any connecting link between the first, orchippus, and our modern one-toed horse?

Dr. Townsend states: "In each instance these differently toed animals lived their geological periods and then forever disappeared, having had neither ancestors nor descendants. Each species abruptly appeared, remained fixed . . . then suddenly disappeared, and where thousands and even millions of the intermediate forms of the different species are demanded by the evolutionists, not one that is assured has yet been discovered."

De. Townsend further states that "those supposed horse fossils . . . are not horse fossils at all."

Why, then, are we, the gullible public, being fed this stuff, which is not founded on fact, but simply on assumption?

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If transmutation of species were taking place today, we would have so many new animals running and crawling about us, that there would be little space left for man, the earth would be packed with animals of all descriptions.

If transmutation of species were a fact, the medical fraternity would absolutely be living in chaos. Each disease germ, or bacillus, produces, or reproduces, exactly its own kind. Each disease is named after its bacillus. If evolution were taking place, how could any physician diagnose a case?

If transmutation were a fact, about the time the physician diagnosed a case as typhoid, behold the pesky little disease germ would commence to evolve-and the physician would find himself in a pretty quandary.

Each "after its kind" it always has been and always will be!

Another article in the Daily News deals with "individual difference" in animals. Of course there are differences, no one doubts that there are variations in species. But let us get this and get it right-that variations and new species are entirely different things.

Resemblance is nothing upon which to They may vary and vary, but they reremain the species. Simply because the evolutionist calls them "species," after "two kinds of descendants from common ancestry come to be even more separate,' does not mean that they are new species.

If such statements constitute science, then I have nothing but contempt for it. Away with any such empty beliefs as constituting themselves science.

The great evolutionists, Haeckel and Spencer, admitted "gaps" and insufficient proofs when they came to them. The majority of evolutionists today, however, when they see that they cannot bridge those gaps, take the shortest way over, and jump the gaps with their imagination, but they do not build a bridge; they produce no missing link.

The result? Chaos in the thinking of the public!—Robert R. Lore in the Chicago Daily News.

#### HOW THE CHURCH MAY SERVE THE STATE

America does not need reformation; she needs regeneration. She will not be saved by mass movements, but by the movement of each individual to Jesus Christ. The salvation of the individual is the longest step toward national regeneration.

The righteous life of each citizen will insure the righteousness of the nation. We can then say: "Righteousness exalteth a nation." The individual citizen who is a consecrated, unfaltering Christian, is the nation's greatest asset. The nation is great not because of its material resources but because of the character of

In building and perfecting the character of her Christian citizens the church is serving best. She begins with the child. If she is permitted to keep him in the Sabbath-school, Bible class, and church pew, she will lead him to Christ, and continue his development until he becomes a worth-while, self-supporting, contributing, patriotic Christian citizen. If the parents of that child will stay with him in the pew every Lord's Day until he is grown, the church will change the face of society, produce social sobriety, increase public morality, reduce crime, and guarantee national security. Such citizens make certain that the government will be stable and constitutional.

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In producing such conditions the church is rendering the greatest service possible to the nation. If she is permitted to bring the fathers and mothers back to the family altar, she will do the one essential thing for the reconstruction of the home. If the family life of this nation is not brought back into the church the nation's star of glory will pass into permanent eclipse. You cannot perpetuate this government if domestic life continues to increase infidelity and rottenness. Bring the home into the church and the church into the home. This is what the evangelical church is trying to do for the state. She is the only one who can do it.

The church is calling for personal sobriety, righteousness, and spirituality. If she succeeds she will reduce the cost of living, increase the peace, prosperity, progress and happiness of every citizen.

If the church is permitted to teach the people the spirit of the unselfish life and the life of sacrificial Christian service she will break the crazy passion for pleasure which is filling our asylums, reformatories, and penitentiaries. The church that believes in the vicarious death of Jesus Christ as the only means of salvation, and whose members are living the sacrificial Christian life is the nation's greatest blessing. She is creating fifty cents of every dollar of the nation's wealth, and she is making this nation the dominant power in the world.

Give the church a chance and she will do great things for the state. She is the nation's greatest security. In saving men, training the youth, building character and protecting the home, she is rendering the greatest service ever rendered the state. This is her duty. She is performing it. Listen to her and silence the rationalistic heretics who are the enemies of the child, the church, the Bible, the state, and Jesus Christ.—From the Bulletin of the First Presbyterian Church, Seattle, Wash., Rev. Mark A. Matthews, D. D., pastor.

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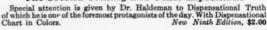
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41	-4.6%	53-5.8%	65 -7.0%	74-8.4%	
43	4.7%	54-5.9%	66-7.1%	75-8.5%	
42	4.8%	55-6.0%	67-7.2%	76-8.6%	
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# Truth Illuminated

William Norton

#### LIKE SPOKES

Charles Reed, M. P., of England, said that he had in his library an old book describing the various sects of The book belonged to his religion. grandmother, and she had drawn, on the fly-leaf a rough diagram of a circle, with lines drawn from the circumference like spokes in a wheel. On these converging lines she had written the names of the various sects, with Christ at the center: and underneath all, this legend: "The nearer to Christ, the nearer to each other."

#### + + + THE TEST OF FIRE

Dr. Stuart Holden once told his congregation how, when he visited a factory in the North of England where costly china was being made, the thing that interested him most was the painting of the finished product. "It had been through many processes, and was taken to a studio for the artist to complete. I saw the pattern being put on in various colors, and noticed that a great deal of black was being used. On asking why, I was told, "It is black now, but it will be gold when it comes out lives?-S. S. Times.

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#### "AND I NEVER THANKED HIM"

A godly Christian lady found that a gipsy camp had been located close to her home. She went round as soon as they were settled, and asked kindly questions about them, and was told at once there was a dying boy in one of the caravans. She went in and found the little lad laid upon a bed and apparently unconscious; and she said to him, "God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life." The little eyes did not open or show any sign of life. She said the same text slowly a second time, and no sign came from the boy. She said it a third time, and the little lad opened his eyes and said, "And I never thanked him."

Is there one soul here today who knows that God so loved the world as to give His only Son, and has never thanked Him? Will you thank Him now? If I said to any one here, "I give you this book," they might press their way through and come up with some little trouble, but if they remained sitting and only said, "Thank you," it ceases to be mine, and becomes the speaker's. Will you be simple with the blessed Lord this morning, and start out afresh, if never before, now for the first time, and just say to Him, "Lord, I thank Thee, and I take Thy gift. Amen"? -Hubert Brooke.

#### A WILL LOST AND FOUND

There is a quaint story told of a rich man who lost his only son, and, after his own death, his will could not be found. After searching vainly, the state's attorney took up the case and ordered his property sold and his estate settled. On the day of the auction a poor old woman who had once nursed his only child begged the auctioneer to let her buy the picture of the boy. She had only a shilling, but nobody seemed to care for it, so it was knocked down to her. And she went home happy in having the portrait of the child she had loved so dearly. One day, when repairing the back of the picture, she found a legal document hidden in the wood back. She hurried to the lawyer and delivered it up with much concern. After he had glanced at it he called her to him and said:

"You have certainly made a great find. This is the old man's will, and in it he has left all his property to anybody who loved his boy well enough to buy his picture at the auction sale when the estate is settled.'

God, too, has left a will by which all His of the fire." Is not this just as in our fortune becomes the inheritance of those who love the Lord Jesus Christ well enough to take Him for their own .- A. B. Simpson.

#### A REAL QUIT-CLAIM DEED

Charles G. Finney relates the following incident which occurred under his ministry in Boston:

"I had insisted much in my instructions upon entire consecration to God giving up all to Him, body, and soul, and possessions, and everything, to be for ever thereafter used for His gloryas a condition of acceptance with God. As was my custom in revivals, I made this as prominent as I well could.

One day, as I went into meeting, one of the lawyers, with whom I had formed acquaintance, and who had been in deep anxiety of mind, I found waiting at the door of the church. As I went in he took out of his pocket a paper and handed it to me, remarking, 'I deliver this to you as the servant of the Lord Jesus Christ.' I put it into my pocket until after meeting.

On examining it I found it to be a quit-claim deed, made out in regular order and executed ready for delivery, in which he quit-claimed to the Lord Jesus Christ all ownership of himself and of every thing he possessed. The deed was in due form; with all the peculiarities and formalities of such conveyances. I think I have it still among my papers. He appeared to be in solemn earnest, and, so far as I could see, was entirely in-telligent in what he did"

#### HOW TO SETTLE DIFFICULTIES

Dr. Moses Hoge, of Richmond, Va., tells of two Christian men who "fell out." One heard that the other was One heard that the other was talking against him, and he went to him and said: "Will you be kind enough to tell me my faults to my face, that I may profit by your Christian candor and try to get rid of them?"

"Yes, sir," replied the other, "I will do it.'

They went aside, and the former said: "Before you commence telling what you think wrong in me, will you please bow down with me and let us pray over it, that my eyes may be opened to see my faults as you will tell them?
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It was done, and when the prayer was over, the man who had sought the interview said:

"Now proceed with what you have to complain of in me.'

But the other replied: "After praying over it, it looks so little that it is not worth talking about. The truth is, I feel now that in going around talking against you I have been serving the Devil myself, and have need that you pray for me, and forgive me the wrong I have done you."

The quarrel was settled from that hour and there are several other difficulties that might be settled in the same way. -Boston Christian.

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#### THE LORD'S TESTINGS

A blacksmith, about eight years after he had given his heart to God, was approached by an intelligent unbeliever with this question:

"Why is it you have so much trouble? I have been watching you. Since you joined the church and began to walk square and seem to love everybody, you have twice as many trials and accidents as you had before. I thought that when a man gave himself to God his troubles were over. Isn't that what the parson tells us?"

With a thoughtful, but glowing face, the blacksmith replied: "Do you see this piece of steel? It is for the springs of a carriage. But it needs to be tempered. In order to do this, I heat it redhot and then cool it with water. If I find it will take a temper I heat it again; then I hammer it and bend it and shape it so it will be suitable for the carriage. Often I find the steel too brittle, and it cannot be used. If so, I throw it on the scrap pile. Those scraps are worth less than one cent a pound; but this carriage spring is valuable."

He paused, and continued: "God saves us for something more than to have a good time. That's the way I see it. We have the good time all right, for the smile of God means heaven. But He wants us for service, just as I want this piece of steel. And He puts the 'temper' of Christ in us by testing and trials. Ever since I saw this I have been saying to Him, 'Test me in any way you choose, Lord, only don't throw me on the scrap pile.' "- Herald of Holiness.

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#### Young People's Society Topics

John C. Page

# February 14 What is Faith, and What Does it Do For Us? Hebrews 11:1-10

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There are many definitions of faith. General Booth of the Salvation Army defined it as "willingness to trust God when things looked dark." Another writer declares that "faith is belief in what cannot be demonstrated." According to the first verse of our Scripture lesson, faith is confidence in what we hope for. It is a conviction concerning the things not yet seen. It makes the invisible things real, so real that we act upon the conviction of their reality. Thousands of Christian men and women have sealed their faith with their blood.

From the content of our chapter we may say that faith is believing God's Word to the extent of acting upon it. The whole chapter presents a picture of faith in action. All the heroes of faith from Abel to Samuel, pass before us in review. The conspicuous feature in each instance is the power of faith in its

action upon the life.

Abel believed the testimony of God concerning human sin and divine holiness. God had spoken of these matters in no uncertain way. Abel believed God's word to the extent of acting upon it. He approached a holy God upon the ground of a substitutionary sacrifice, the blood of the lamb, and was accepted. This is faith in action; this is the faith that saves. Abel's brother came another way, not the way of faith in God's Word, and he was rejected.

Enoch believed God's Word concerning judgment to come to the extent of acting upon it. In the midst of spiritual apostasy and moral darkness Enoch walked with God and was delivered from the judgment that came upon the world as

a punishment for its sin.

Abraham is another conspicuous example of the faith which believes God's Word to the extent of acting upon it. When he was called he obeyed and went out into the new life of faith trusting God where he could not see.

"Into His hand went mine, And into my heart came He, And I walked in the light divine, The path I had feared to see."

#### February 21 Lives Transformed by Christ Acts 9:1-20

By comparing verses 1, 9 and 20 of this chapter the reader will see the extent of the transformation effected in this instance. Notice the atmosphere in which Saul of Tarsus lived, "breathing out threatenings and slaughter against the disciples of the Lord." Then observe the attitude he took in verse 6, "Lord, what wilt thou have me to do?" How can you account for this change except on the ground of the supernatural power of the Lord which in a moment changed the whole outlook and attitude of a lifetime. In view of this experience is it any wonder that this man wrote the words in 2 Corinthians 5:17? Study this verse. It affords a key both to his experience and his teachings.

This supernatural transforming power in human life which the Bible so strongly emphasizes and which every vital Christian experience corroborates, is the one thing which Modernism opposes and repudiates. This is the reason why Modernism as a system is so perilous. Its acceptance means the denial of all that makes our Christian faith redemp-

tive and saving.

The essential thing in Christianity, says Dr. McNicol, is a new creation which is not of this world. The apostles taught this, and the true church of God has stood for it down through the centuries and stands for it today. The effort to impose the teachings of Christ upon those who belong to the old creation is like trying to hang fruit on a thorn bush. Our Lord Himself said, "A corrupt tree cannot bring forth good fruit." The old vine of human nature is corrupt at its very root. See Mark 7:21-23; Galatians 5:19-21. This necessitates a new vine which shall bring forth good fruit. Compare John 15:5 with Galatians 5:22, 23. This fruit, the fruit of the Spirit, is satisfying to God and man. Verse 20 reveals the beginnings of that ceaseless activity which issues from the new attitude.

# February 28 Neglected Areas in the Country Isaiah 35:1-10

The chapter given has no immediate nor close relation to the topic. These verses plainly assert that "blessings abound where'er He reigns," and describe the nature of these blessings. The central truth is in verse 5, "Your God will come and save you." This can be applied first to the present salvation in Christ which the individual Christian possesses and enjoys. It is written, "His name shall be called Emmanuel—God with us." Our God who came to save us. As the result of His redemptive work the eyes of the blind are opened, the ears of the deaf unstopped, the lame walk uprightly, and the dumb sing.

"He breaks the power of cancelled sin, He sets the prisoner free."

It is our shame and loss that there should be areas in our country where the Christ who saves is still unknown. According to reliable authorities there are whole districts which sink into spiritual death for lack of the preached word. What is the cause for such neglect? David Brainerd said, "I wrestled for the ingathering of souls. I was in agony

all day." Is it not more of this spirit that we need?

The two outstanding facts that have inspired the workers of the past and led them on to noble achievements are these: first, there is a lost world, and second, there is a Christ that can save it. The inspiration necessary to the occupation of neglected areas must be found in these two facts.

The Scripture under consideration has another application to a time yet future when "a King shall reign in righteousness" and the principles of the kingdom of heaven be administered on earth. Then the blessings mentioned in this chapter will be completely fulfilled and there will be no more neglected areas.

# March 7 Persevere—In What? Acts 20:17-24; Hebrews 12:1-4

The first of these two Scriptures gives us an example of perseverance in the work of Paul; the second contains an exhortation to persevere in running the Christian race.

Paul's career as a servant of Christ affords a fine illustration of perseverance. What he endured and overcame is presented in summary form in 2 Corinthians 11:24-28. He was beaten, stoned, shipwrecked, surrounded by perils, weary, in pain, hungry, thirsty and cold, yet he could say in the words of verse 24 of our Scripture lesson, "None of these things move me." This is perseverance indeed. In the realm of service and ministry to others Paul had received a commission from the risen Lord (Acts 26:16-18). To fulfill that commission was his great ambition. In its fulfilment perseverance played the chief part. If we search for the underlying secret of his power it will be found in the words of Philippians 4:13.

Exhortations to Christian believers to persevere and press forward are quite frequent in Scripture, and quite neces-The Christian life has its sarv. too. strenuous side as well as its restful side. In our second Scripture it is compared to a race, at the end of which is a prize. This prize must be won, it comes as a reward for attainment. In the Christian race there are the hindrances of weights and sins. These weigh us down or upset us. The weights must all be laid aside and the upsetting sin overcome. If the runner falls he must get up again and again. This calls for the grace of perseverance in order to continue running and obtain the prize. As an inspiration to this we are reminded of the witnesses in Hebrews 11, men and women who patience and perseverance achieved the things recorded in verses 33, 34.

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#### HEARING AND NOT HEARING

M. T., Winchester, Ind.

Ouestion: Please harmonize the contradiction in Acts 9:7 and 22:9.

Answer: Verse 9:7 states that the

men with Paul heard the voice, while 22:7 states that they "heard not the voice of him that spake to me." The meaning seems to be that they heard the voice, but not in such a way that they understood the message of Him who was addressing Paul.

#### SACREDNESS OF HUMAN LIFE

V. R., Chicago, Ill.

Will you please explain Question:

Genesis 9:5, 6?

Answer: The plain teaching is that since man is made in God's image, if a man's life is wantonly taken, as Cain took the life of Abel, the agent of destruction must be destroyed, whether it be man or beast.

#### THE CATHOLIC AND PROTESTANT BIBLES

H. A., Ironwood, Mich.

Ouestion: What is the difference between a Catholic and Protestant

Answer: So far as the text itself is concerned the differences are not great, except in a few instances. The chief difference lies in the foot-notes and annotations which interpret the Catholic Bible in harmony with the peculiar doc-trines of the Catholic church.

#### THE ROSE OF SHARON

G. K., Paterson, N. J.

Questions: (1) Please explain "doves eyes" and "bed of green" in Song of Solomon 1:15, 16. (2) What is the meaning of the "rose of Sharon" (2:1)?

Answers: (1) Large, beautiful, and tender as the eyes of a dove. The "bed of green" is probably the grass upon which the lovers are sitting or reclining. (2) In this verse the bride seems to be speaking to herself, as in the second verse she addresses the bride-groom. If lovely, the bride is also lowly as a flower in the plain of Sharon.

#### TITHE QUESTIONS

C. F. G., Holland, Minn.

Questions: (1) Ought a Christian tithe the money of a matured insurance policy? (2) What amount thus received is to be tithed?

Answers: The question to be decided is whether this money is income or principal; or, what part is income and what part principal. Since such a form of insurance is based upon yearly premiums, together with accrued interest, we would suggest that only the accrued interest would be subject to tithing, since the premiums would represent the invest-

#### SANCTIFIED APOSTATES

R. J. G., Wellington, New Zealand.

Question: In what sense can an apostate be said to be sanctified as in

Hebrews 10:29?

Answer: The entire passage (vv. 26-38) teaches the possibility of apostatizing from the truth. God has no pleasure in such (v. 38) and they have only a fearful future to which they can look forward (vv. 26-31). How then can such people be described as sanctified (v. 29)? Evidently the word is used in the same sense as in verse 10, and the explanation seems to be even professors of religion who follow Christ only a time are in a limited sense sanctified. That is, they outwardly are set apart for the work of the Lord, the same as others. Later, the difference is revealed in their apostasy. A similar truth is stated in 2 Peter 2:1. where false teachers are referred to as "denying the Lord who bought them," "bought" by Christ, yet false to Him.

#### SICKNESS AND SATAN

E. R. H., Nora Springs, Ia.

Question: Are cancers and all sicknesses of the Devil?

Answer: Some very good people attribute all sickness to the Devil, and in so far as he was or is the occasion of sin, we may grant that he has had very much to do with sickness. Yet many people sin grievously who seem to be in astonishingly good health. For our part, we do not believe in laying all of our troubles, including our sicknesses, to Satan. It seems to us that each should bear the personal responsibility for sickness caused by his own indiscretion, lack of controlled appetite, or other sins and vices. Moreover, our sicknesses sometimes are due to inherited tendencies and not directly to Satan at all.

#### THE TWO NATURES

R. A. C., Brooklin, Maine.

Questions: Since the old nature is not eradicated in regeneration, and since this old nature is satanic, then do we not have two natures-the nature of God and the nature of the Devil? Does not this make the Christian a member of two families? Does not Satan have a right to rule over his nature? Does not this doctrine make the Christian legally a child of Satan as well as a child of God? Are we not only partially redeemed?

Answers: You go too far in thinking that the old nature is satanic. The old nature is the carnal nature in us in distinction from the spiritual. Thus the Christian has two natures, but is not two

personalities, and is not a member of two families except they be the human family and the divine. Furthermore Satan has no rights even over the old nature. Whenever the old nature re-asserts itself and we sin, Satan has a momentary triumph, yet by no right or power of his own. There is a sense in which we are redeemed when we were born again; but since our redemption is eventually to include our glorified bodies, Christ's work in us will not be completed before the time of the resurrection. His work upon the cross was a finished work, and even now He gives us victory over the "old man" in us, but we are not yet sinless. The old nature has not yet been completely transformed. We are saved and safe, but not yet perfected.

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There's light on the path leading homeward

That grows brighter and brighter each day,

For the joy of the dear Saviour's presence Illumines the straight narrow way. What freedom from carrying burdens!

What joy in just trusting our all To Him who's abundantly able To hold us, that we shall not fall!

There's light on the path leading homeward:

We behold things the world cannot see; For the Spirit takes Christ's wondrous riches

The great things of eternity To show to the loved ones of Jesus, What wonders He has to display! What glimpses of joy set before us! What gleams of the glad Perfect Day!

There's light on the path leading home-

And the deep peace of God inwardly; For we're conquerors, yea, more than conquerors

Through Christ who gives us victory. We need not to stop or to falter,

He giveth the strength for the way. Oh, there's light on the path leading homeward

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#### International Sunday-school Lessons

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## February 14 Jesus the Good Shepherd John 10:1-30

Golden Text:—I am the good shepherd, the good shepherd giveth his life for the

sheep.-John 10:11.

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The occasion for the parable of the good shepherd was the excommunication of the blind man who had been healed by Christ. When Jesus saw the Pharisees, who posed as shepherds of God's flock, casting out of the fold this poor, helpless sheep (John 9:34, 35), He boldly declared that He was the Good Shepherd. Behind this we can see His compassion for the poor man and indignation at the Pharisees. The relationship of the Messiah to His own is set forth in the Old Testament under the figure of the Shepherd and His sheep (Psalm 23; Ezekiel 34).

#### I. The Good Shepherd (vv. 1-18).

1. He Is the True Shepherd (vv. 1-6). He came by the divinely appointed The power exercised by the Pharisees in casting out this man was not obtained by lawful means. It was stolen by them and exercised in the bold spirit of robbers. John the Baptist and others of the prophets, had performed the function of the porter and opened the door to the Shepherd (v. 23). Despite the deceit, audacity, theft and robbery of these Pharisees, those who were Christ's sheep were declared to be forming a new flock and following Him as the true Shepherd (v. 4). The reason the man suffered excommunication for Jesus' sake was that he recognized Him as the true Shepherd and the Pharisees as strangers. We can afford excommunication at the hands of men when we can have the leadership of Christ.

2. He Is the Door of the Sheep (vv.

7-10).

The way to fellowship to God is through Christ. He is the only door (Acts 4:12). There is absolutely no way to get into the fold of the redeemed but by Him. All who attempt it are thieves and robbers (v. 8). Those who become members of the flock through Him enjoy marvelous gifts (vv. 9, 10).

(1) Salvation—"Shall be saved." Not only saved now but saved eternally (vv.

27, 28).

(2) Liberty—"Shall go in and out" (v. 9).

Only those who accept salvation in Christ know what freedom is. "If the Son therefore shall make you free, ye shall be free indeed" (John 8:36).

(3) Contentment—"Shall go in and out and find pasture" (v. 9).

The one who really enters the fold by Christ the door receives that which is all satisfying to the soul. The world's attractions lose their hold upon him. He has no want which is not satisfied (Psalm 23). Not only is every want sup-

plied, but every fear removed.

3. He Is the Good Shepherd (vv. 11-18).

He is so devoted to His sheep that He willingly lays down His life for them. The hireling abandons his sheep in time of danger. The Good Shepherd has perfect knowledge of His sheep and they know Him (vv. 14, 15). The mutual relationship which exists between the sheep and shepherd is similar to that which exists between Christ and the Father. Knowing His sheep so well, He looks after their welfare. He enjoys such personal intimacy with His sheep that He knows them by name and goes before them to lead the way and defend them from every danger. This He will do even unto death. On Calvary this was historically fulfilled. The hireling, represented by the Pharisees, takes up the work and continues it for his own sake, for the profit that is in it. It was Christ's love for such sheep as this poor blind man that caused Him to give up His life in order to find for them the abundant life (v. 10). This sympathy is worldwide, "other sheep I have which are not of this fold." This suggests that the Gentiles have a place in His fold. All who believe in Christ form one flock. In order to save His sheep He voluntarily laid down His life (vv. 17, 18). Such devotion enjoys the love of the Father (v. 17). In view of that time when Christ shall gather His widely separated flock into one fold, let us now be brought under that spirit of unity which will please Him.

II. The Sheep (vv. 19-30).

1. Unbelievers Are Not His Sheep (vv. 19-26). Christ's assertion that He was the good shepherd caused a division among the people. Some accused Him of being mad, others that He had a devil. To their request that He would tell them plainly if He were the Christ, He referred them to the testimony of His works, declaring that the secret of their inability to recognize Him was their unbelief.

2. They Recognize His Voice (v. 4).

There are many voices in the world, the voice of the hireling, the voice of the thief and the voice of the stranger, but none of these will the sheep hear. The voice of the true Shepherd is recognized by His sheep even amidst the babel of voices in the world today. They not only know it as His, their souls are in accord with it. It is sweet music to their ears.

3. His Sheep Follow Him (vv. 3, 27). This is the proof that they are His. The one who does not hear, heed, and obey the Lord's voice is clearly not his sheep. His sheep have unquestioned faith in His ability to lead them. Regardless of the darkness, dangers and difficulties of the way they turn from the voice of others and follow Him. The

true sheep will flee from strangers (v. 5). This is a solemn warning to many professing Christians who are following strangers.

4. His Sheep Are Eternally Secure (vv. 27, 28). The sheep are entirely dependent upon the Shepherd. It is the Shepherd's business to look after and care for the sheep. This He does for He knows them by name and is acquainted with their weaknesses and trials.

# February 21 Jesus Raises Lazarus from the Dead John 11:1-57

Golden Text:—I am the resurrection and the life: he that believeth on me, though he were dead, yet shall he live.—

John 11:25.

The Bethany family held a peculiar place in the affections of Jesus. When the doors of other homes were closed against Him, the door of this home was flung wide open to receive Him. When misunderstood by others and weary with His arduous labors, He could come into this home and enjoy intelligent fellowship and find rest.

#### I. Lazarus Sick (vv. 1, 2.).

Even those who are in close fellowship with the Lord are not immune from sickness. Sorrow comes even to the homes where Jesus is loved.

II. Martha and Mary send for Jesus (v. 3).

Because they had come to know Jesus as more than a mere man they instinctively turned to Him when this shadow fell across their home. Those who receive Jesus into their home when all are well and happy can be sure of His love and sympathy when sickness and death overtake them.

Martha and Mary sent for Jesus because He loved Lazarus. They said, "He whom thou lovest is sick." Now Jesus "abode in the same place" because he loved Lazarus and his sisters (v. 5). This mystery is to be explained by the fact that Jesus was divine and knew all things. Mere human sympathy would have moved Him to hasten to the home of trouble, but divine love, which rests upon perfect knowledge, caused Him to tarry.

IV. Jesus Goes to the Bethany Home (vv. 7-17).

At length he turned His face toward the sorrowing home. Jesus knew and the disciples apparently knew that going into Judea meant His own death. He told His disciples that His purpose in going was to awake Lazarus out of his sleep, to the intent that they might believe (vv. 11-15). His mission to this home was twofold: to restore to these sisters their brother and to strengthen the faith of the disciples (vv. 11-15). The word "sleep" reveals Jesus' estimate of death. It is only a sleep. Jesus fearlessly discharged His duty even though they had threatened His life.

V. Jesus Teaching Martha (vv. 18-27).

As He was nearing the village Martha meets Him with a complaint because of His delay. He ignores her complaint and teaches her concerning the resurrection and life.

1. "Thy brother shall rise again" (v. 23).

Most blessed words are these to fall upon the ears of a sorrowing sister for a dead brother. He is saying the same to every sorrowing sister, brother, wife, husband, child and parent.

2. "I am the resurrection and the life"

(vv. 25, 26).

He is the source of life and all who are joined to him by a living faith experience such a vital fellowship as to be unaffected by any bodily change. The believer cannot die. That which we call death is to Him but an incident in the course of an endless life. The Christian life centers in the person of the living Lord, the eternal Son of God.

VI. Jesus Weeping with Mary (vv. 28-35).

Mary fell at Jesus' feet, uttering the same words used by Martha but no doubt with a different tone of voice and attitude. She had been sitting at His feet in the days of sunshine, therefore she knew where to go in time of sorrow. Her words were responded to with His tears—"Jesus wept." He is now a sympathizing Saviour; He can be touched with the feeling of our infirmities (Heb. 4:15). Being a real man He suffered with these bereaved sisters, and though

He knew the joy that was so soon to come in the restoration of life to Lazarus, he wept, thus mingling his tears of sympathy with those He loved and those who loved Him.

VII. Jesus Raising Lazarus (vv. 38-44).

His great sympathy now expresses itself in supernatural power. Sympathy would be valueless without this connection with divine power. It is sympathy and love linked with omnipotence that makes His ministry so eloquent. In this stupendous miracle we see an illustration of the quickening into life of those dead in trespasses and sin.

Observe:

1. He Was Dead (v. 39). This is a type of the sinner dead in trespasses and sins, even morally corrupt (Eph. 2:1).

2. The Stone Must be Rolled Away

2. The Stone Must be Rolled Away (v. 39). As Christian workers we should remove every obstacle from between a dead sinner and a life-giving Saviour.

3. Martha's Protest of Unbelief (v. 39). She insisted that Lazarus had already undergone putrefaction. Unbelief of God's people is saying the same about sinners as being without hope of salvation. Christ is able to save the sinner, regardless of the degree of his sins.

4. Christ's Intimacy and Fellowship with the Father (v. 42). In His prayer He declared that it was not for His sake

that He prayed, but for those who stood by.

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5. Christ's Manner of Dealing with Lazarus (v. 43).

It was by a call. He is calling men and women today by His Spirit, Word and providence. His call is an individual one—even by name.

6. The Response of Lazarus (v. 44). This shows that the call of Jesus is with authority and power. With the call goes the power to heal and obey. Even though one be dead in trespasses and sins and therefore helpless, there is nothing

too hard for the Lord.

7. The Command to the People (v. 44). They were to remove the grave clothes and set him free. They could not make Lazarus live, but they could remove the grave clothes which bound the man whom Christ made alive. It is our business to teach God's Word to those who have been made alive by Christ, for the truth shall make them free (John 8:32). This miracle is a mighty demonstration that Jesus Christ is God.

VIII. The Effect of This Miracle (vv. 45-57).

1. Some Believed (v. 45).

2. His Enemies Sought to Put Him to Death (vv. 46-53).

3. His Withdrawal (v. 54).

# February 28 Jesus Teaches Respect for Law Matthew 22:15-22, 34-40

Golden Text:—Ye think that I am come to destroy the law or the prophets. I came not to destroy but to fulfill.—

Matthew 5:17.

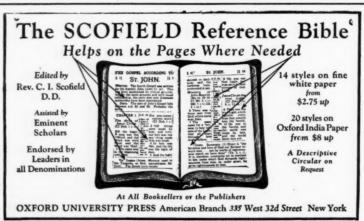
It is to be regretted that the lesson committee introduced this lesson, important as it is, thus breaking up the unity of instruction in the Gospel of John. Teachers who prefer to continue in John would do well to choose John 12:1-

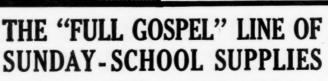
11 as the alternative lesson.

I. The Tribute Money (vv. 15-22).

The Pharisees and Herodians proposed to entrap Jesus and bring Him into conflict with the Roman government so they came to Him with a subtle question, "Is it lawful to give tribute to Caesar or not?" At this time the Jews were under the galling yoke of the Roman government. Some even denied the right to pay tribute to the government. To have answered this question by "yes" or "no" would have involved difficulty. To have answered "yes" would have conveyed the impression of endorsement of all that the Roman government did. To have answered "no" would have at once brought Him into conflict with the government. It is not an easy matter for a Christian always to determine his right relation to civil government. Many a minister has made a failure of his work because he tried to solve the problem. Christ's reply to this question, properly understood and applied, is the final word on the subject. Until the civil authorities demand of us that which is a violation of God's law, we are bound to render unto them obedience. "Render unto Caesar the things that are Caesar's" means that within the realm of the right of govern-

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ment the Christian should yield glad and full obedience, but while it sets forth their duties to civil authorities, He used the occasion to place upon them the duties they owe to God. "Render unto God the things that are God's" means the highest obligation. Since enjoying His protection and care, it is our duty to own all allegiance to Him, to yield our lives to Him in service, worship and praise. Every one who enjoys the benefits of civil government is obliged to pay the taxes which are necessary for the support of that government, and every one who receives God's favor is placed in like obligation unto Him.

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#### II. The Great Commandment in the Law (vv. 34-40).

For the third time in one day the ord is tried by hard questions. While Lord is tried by hard questions. these questioners were actuated by wrong motives we may be very glad that they put these questions to him because of the invaluable truth which His answers set forth.

1. The First Commandment (vv. 34-

38).
"Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, with all thy soul, and with all thy mind." This means that supreme and undivided love to God is the first and great commandment. Man's supreme obligation is to God. It is wrong to evaluate man's character on the basis of his morality as expressed in his relation to his fellowman. Real righteousness is doing the right thing with God. The greatest immorality of which a man

can be guilty is his failure to respond to the demands of God. The one who does not supremely and with undivided affection love God is the greatest sinner. The one outstanding condemning sin is unbelief in God and refusal to love and

2. The Second Commandment (vv. 39, 40).

The second commandment is like unto the first in that it centers in love. It is not said that it was equal unto the first; that would not be true. A man may love himself, but not supremely. love for his neighbor may be either too much or too little. The measure set is love for self. We should love God better than ourselves. He is worthy of all our affections, and demands all. Love is not mere emotion, but a supreme desire for the welfare of another and a willingness to do everything possible to secure that end. The command to love our neighbor is involved in the command to love God. To pretend to love God is folly if we do not love our neighbor. No one really loves his neighbor who does not love God. To attempt to establish a brotherhood among men without the recognition of the fatherhood of God is utter nonsense. Men become children of God by faith in Jesus Christ. It is true that in the sense of being God's creatures, all men are God's children, but in the New Testament sense, men are only God's children as they are in Christ. Beware of the man who is constantly crying for the brotherhood of man and at

the same time rejecting Jesus Christ. The only way to bring in the brotherhood of man is to preach Jesus Christ to the race and secure acceptance of Him. We thus become brothers in the real sense of the term when we have God as our Father. All obligation resting upon man is embraced in these two commandments. Those who conform their lives to them are God's children and are the very best citizens.

#### March 7 Jesus Washes His Disciples' Feet John 12:1-17

Golden Text:-The Son of Man came not to be ministered unto, but to minister and to give his life a ransom for many. -Matthew 20:28.

Teachers who are endeavoring to give the pupils the connected view of the Gospel of John should recognize that with this chapter we enter into the very holy of holies of the book, namely, the inner revelation of Christ to His disciples. The people at large having rejected Him, He turned His back upon them and devoted His few remaining hours to in-structing and comforting His disciples.

I. Jesus' Amazing Love for His Own (vv. 1-3).

Jesus was fully conscious of what was upon Him. He knew that the cross with all its anguish was just before Him. He knew that His disciples would shamefully forsake Him within a few hours. He knew that one of that number would be the instrument in the hands of the

# May we find tablets of the Pentateuch?

STUPENDOUS discoveries are opening up in the Holy Land since the World War expelled the Turk and a Christian nation was given control. Professor Melvin Grove Kyle, Archeological Editor of The Sunday School Times, sails this month for an expedition to Kirjath-Sepher, a city between Hebron and Beersheba which flourished when Joshua led the Children of Israel into Canaan. Dr. Kyle has had his eye on that city for more than thirty years, for it is not impossible that actual tablets of the Pentateuch may be found there.

The town has been undisturbed since Nebuchadnezzar destroyed it 2500 years ago. Remembering that the critics say that Deuteronomy was not written until Josiah's time, eight or nine centuries later than Moses, it would be a bombshell in the camp of the Higher Criticism if any portions of the Pentateuch, dating from Moses' own day, were found.

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Devil in His betrayal. He knew that all things were in His hands-was fully conscious of His deity. Understanding all this, he displayed patient and untiring love. He did not withdraw Hi love from them because of their weakne and the shameful failure which He k would soon be made manifest. "He them to the end," to the uttermost. True love does not consider circumstances or the shortcomings of the person loved. His thoughts might well have been of the eternal light and glory upon which He would soon enter, but it was mainly of His own disciples.

II. Christ Washing His Disciples' Feet (vv. 4-11).

This act is symbolic of His amazing love for His disciples. Jesus did not regard His hands too holy to do this

menial service. The true Christian does not allow his rank in society to keep him from acts of lowly service.

1. Steps in This Service (vv. 4, 5).

(1) He arose from supper.

(2) Laid aside His garments. (3) Took a towel and girded Himself.

(4) Poured water into a basin.

(5) Washed His disciples' feet.

(6) Wiped them with the towel wherewith He was girded.

These steps symbolize Christ's work of redemption. His rising from supper represents His rising from His place of enjoyment in the heavenly glory. His laying aside His garments is putting aside His vesture of majesty (Phil. 2:7,8). His girding Himself is taking the form of a servant in the incarnation (Phil. 2:7), The water in the basin His cleansing blood (Rev. 1:5). His washing of their feet their sanctification by actual cleansing men through His Word (John 15:3; Eph. 5:26). His taking His garments again, His return to His place and position of glory (Luke 24:51).

2. Peter's Impetuous Ignorance (vv. 6, 9).

He goes from one extreme to the other. His failure to understand the significance of this service caused him to behave

strangely.
3. The Significance of This Service to Those who Participate in It (vv. 10-12).

(1) It is a spiritual cleansing (v. 8). Fellowship with Jesus is only possible as we are continuously cleansed from our sins. "He that is washed needeth not save to wash his feet but is clean every whit" (v. 10). The cleansing here is not the washing of regeneration (Tit. 3:5), but that of sanctification (John 17:17). Even regenerate people need 'the continual cleansing of Christ's blood in order to have fellowship with Him. He that is regenerated does not need a repetition of the act; he only needs the cleansing of sanctification symbolized by the washing of the feet. After regeneration, as we go through this world we are contaminated by its sins. He is willing always to cleanse us from our sins if we allow Him.

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(2) A badge of brotherly affection.

This act showed His abandonment to the service of His own. This is a lesson that is much needed today. We need more and more the fulness of brotherly love. This love needs to be manifested so that it may be seen and realized. Only can true love be proved by the service it renders.

(3) A proof of humility. This was a lesson much needed by the disciples and much needed by us all. They had just been disputing as to who should be the greatest in the kingdom. Their selfish motive was expressing itself. On every hand we see expressions of pride, vanity and even arrogance on the part of those who are professed followers of the lowly Jesus. Christ's action was a concrete expression of His Spirit. If the Son of God was not ashamed to stoop to such lowly service, the disciple should not regard it beneath his dignity to follow in His steps.

(4) Equalization.

As they would thus stoop to serve each other in the name of Christ there would be the sure destruction of caste among them. Such service in the spirit of Christ is the great leveler of humanity.

#### III. An Example for Us (vv. 12-17).

The disciples of the Lord are under obligation to do to each other as He did unto them. This obligation rests upon His Lordship (v. 14). All who call Him Lord in sincerity will obey Him. To refuse to obey Him is to put oneself above His Lord. Obedience to the Lord should proceed from our love for Him, but in addition He promises happiness to those who practice these things (v. 17).

"I am very glad to have been of any comfort to your poor husband, my good woman. But what made you send for me instead of your own minister?"
"Weel, sir, it's typhus my poor husband's got, and we dinna think it just reet for our ain minister to run the risk.'

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#### WHAT TO TELL CHILDREN

Mildred W. Stillman in the Forum for August:

Nothing brings the present religious controversy more sharply home than the confusion which arises when an innocent child suddenly asks a leading question about God at the luncheon table. If we are not fundamentalists and do not accept a literal interpretation of the Bible, what are we to tell our children? Their minds cannot grasp the abstractions that we deal in. How are we to prevent disillusion and confusion of thought?"

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#### TROPHIES OF GRACE IN VENEZUELA

In reporting the rich blessing of God upon the work in Maracaibo, Venezuela, Rev. T. J. Bach of the Scandinavian Alliance Mission says in part: "It has pleased God to reveal among us here His power to save from the depths of sin and vice, and especially in the case of drunkards. Yesterday we had a temperance lesson in the Sunday-school. I taught the men's class, and when I asked those to stand up who were saved drunkards twenty-seven at once rose."

Here are a few sample testimonies from members of the group whose photograph appears on this page. A father young in years but who had spent most

of his life in sin and shame said: "When I lived a drunkard's life my children would run away to the neighbors in terror whenever I came home, but now they watch for me and run toward me with outstretched arms."

Another said: "I was known in this city for my notoriously wild life. One night when I came home drunk my wife lay sick in bed with our little child in her arms. I dragged her out of bed and pushed her into the yard. Then I took an axe and smashed to atoms her wooden bedthe only one in the house. But now, thank God, I have a new life through faith in Christ, my mother has a new son, my wife a new husband, and our dear little baby a new father.

A third drunkard told how he ruined

his business by drink and was left in a bad condition. On a Sunday morning he was given a tract by one of the native Christian women, and by reading it was led to take his first step towards Jesus. He is now superintendent of the Sundayschool, his wife and two children have also come over on the Lord's side, and daily family prayers take the place of drunken brawls in their home.

#### A MISSIONARY'S TRIUMPHAL JOURNEY IN CONGOLAND

Rev. Thomas Moody, one of the veteran Baptist missionaries in the Belgian Congo, sends an inspiring account of one of his recent visitation tours of the outstations, from which the following extracts are taken.

"Our first matondo (convention?) was at K——. The contingents from the

various curches came in on Friday. Kilumbu was the first, 600 strong. Marching four abreast with banners flying and singing praises to God, they entered the tabernacle and offered a prayer of thanksgiving before they greeted their friends. Next came Kinsangu, 500 strong, then Kinkindu, 400 strong, and so on until we had 2,500 people present. That night the tabernacle. 40x120 feet, was crowded when words of welcome were given and suitable replies made. Saturday was a busy day, and then came Sunday, the great day of the feast. The tabernacle was filled for the first service at 7:00 a. m. Then all candidates for baptism lined up on the outside. These had already been examined

Eighteen Saved Drunkards in Venezuela
All the above, once hopeless victims of drink but now soundly saved, are active members of the same mission church in Maracaibo, Venezuela. Thirteen of them have been in prison for crime.

(See further particulars this page)

by their own churches, but I gave them an additional and rigid examination. Of the whole number, 100 were kept back for one cause or another, and 284 were accepted and forthwith baptized, two by two, in a near-by stream. Coming up from the water they all stood in line to receive the right hand of fellowship. After this 24 couples were married, and 19 children were dedicated to the Lord by prayer. Then after half an hour's intermission, we all gathered back in the tabernacle for the main service. This was begun by the presentation, church by church, of freewill offerings of thanksgiving, accompanied with loud praises and clapping of hands. These offerings totaled 916 francs (a franc is an ordinary day's wage). Next came a great sermon for a full hour by one of our native preachers, and at its close I con-

ducted a blessed communion service. Altogether it was one of the great days in one's life.

"After a day's rest we traveled east for 100 miles for our next matondo, at Zikomba. Just seven years before this we had made our first visit here, and the people had stood aloof, while the children ran away. Two years later we put a native preacher and his wife here, and after one year the first four converts were baptized. But now 400 people gathered together, 250 of whom were church members, 71 received baptism, and the thanksgiving offering was over 393 francs. Best of all, the young folks had caught the missionary vision and five young men had gone from this church to a district 50 miles away and had begun an aggressive work of evangelism.

"Another week's journey brought us to our third matondo, at Yongo, where seven of Mr. McDiarmid's churches gathered for three days. Here 350 were baptized and the thanksgiving offering reached 1,258 francs.

"After visiting other churches and villages we arrived back at our own station to find all well. We had been away 62 days, visited some 300 villages, and preached the gospel in 100 of these."

Is not such a record of joyous reaping worth the long years of toilsome and tearful seed-sowing? We need not commiserate such missionaries, but might rather envy them. Would that more young men would catch the missionary vision and press to the front to duplicate experiences like this!

#### OFF FOR A DIS-TANT FRONTIER OUTPOST

Mr. Carl G. Gowman, '11, writes from

Shanghai, China, on his way, together with Mrs. Gowman, '11, and their two little ones, to a new field of labor among the aboriginal tribes of China on the border between Yunnan Province and Burma. To reach this remotest southwest corner of China, these workers have to make a long sea voyage from Shanghai via Singapore and Rangoon, thus entering their field by the back door. Mr. Gowman, who has already behind him a long and fruitful record of service among these primitive tribesmen of China writes: "Another new tribe and another new language for us to tackle. We were able in the three years among the Ch'uan Miao in Szechwan to get a hymn book and catechism translated for them, and are now leaving the work in the hands of others who will continue it on right lines." Much prayer should be offered

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for these worthy missionaries in their new field and task.

#### GOOD NEWS FROM THE NEW HEBRIDES

Nearly a year ago the sad news came of the destruction of Dr. Maurice Frater's motor boat in a severe storm in the New Hebrides. greatly crippled his missionary work throughout his parish of several islands. An appeal was made for gifts toward the cost of a new launch, and the response was so prompt and generous that the new motor boat, a picture of which appears on this page, is already in commission. Dr. Frater writes in grateful acknowledgment of certain con-

tributions sent from Chicago Christians. He also conveys the warm-hearted thanks of the native church on the island of Paama. Then he tells of a weekly meeting held by the Teacher's Fellowship Class, when earnest prayer is offered for Christ's people and cause in all other lands. At the last such meeting a native brother, who was formerly a notorious cannibal, voiced in earnest tones the petition of the class for God's rich blessing upon the saints in Chicago. What a wonderful transformation such an incident betokens!

Continuing, Dr. Frater writes: "A few Sundays ago we had a baptismal service, which made a red-letter day in the history of the native church. Fifty-three men and women came forward to acknowledge by baptism Jesus Christ as Saviour and Lord. The feature that specially impressed me was the courage and confidence with which timid women accepted this challenge of their faith.



Dr. Frater's New Mission Launch in the New Hebrides.
(See further particulars this page)

A New Hebrides woman is the shyest of mortals and shrinks keenly from any place of prominence. Yet when the names of the 38 women were called, not one was dismayed, but without the slightest evidence of fear or shrinking they all came forward to confess Christ."

#### "NOTWITHSTANDING—CHRIST IS PREACHED"

In this case the "notwithstanding" has in mind the distressing condition of civil war and general unrest in China, which of necessity has its serious bearing upon missionary work. Yet the marvel is —and surely it is a cause for thanksgiving —that throughout these several years of disorder and danger the missionaries have never ceased to "carry on," and their work has borne abundant visible fruit.

Mr. Ernest J. Davis, '22, writes from a C. I. M. station in Honan Province: "If you could see what we have seen the past three days you would be encouraged to go on praying and giving for the Lord's work in China.

"Last Thursday the people began coming in for a three days' conference—the women hobbling on their little feet or riding on wheelbarrows, each carrying a basket containing Bible, hymnbook and food for several days, the men carrying bundles of bedding, or driving carts, or pushing barrows. Soon our entire premises hummed with the voices of Christians exchanging greetings and finding places to spread their bedding for the night. By dark several hundred had arrived, and we met in the chapel, specially decorated for the occasion.

"Many of our Christians were hindered from coming to conference this year, some because of disturbed conditions, others because of poverty owing to failure of crops, and still others because of home duties. Yet, in spite of all these hindrances, we had nearly 800 adults, besides children, sleeping on our premises each night. Where and how would any church in the homeland accommodate this number?

"Three meetings were held each day, and the Lord drew nigh and graciously fed these precious souls from His Word. The Christians were greatly strengthened and inspired, and a number of unsaved ones accepted Christ as their Saviour. Two baptismal services were held, when 42 women and 32 men confessed the Lord in the rite of baptism. What joy it was to stand in the large group around the baptistry and join in hymns of praise to the Lord who in His mercy had led all these people out of hea-

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then darkness into His marvelous light! On Sunday afternoon 350 Christians partook together of the Lord's Supper."

#### THE PSYCHOLOGY OF EVOLUTION

There is a psychology behind this infidelity of Americans; a psychology or public mind that is indicated in these words from the pen of Henry Fairfield Osborn, one of the active promotors of the "evolution hypothesis." "In truth," writes Dr. Osborn, "from the period of the earliest stages of Greek thought, man has been eager to discover some natural cause of evolution, and to abandon the idea of supernatural intervention in the order of nature." This is the psychology of evolution: "The mind to abandon the idea of supernatural intervention," or in other words, to abandon the God in whom our Fathers trusted.

—The Temple Watchman.

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1. The believer shall not come into judgment, John 5:24.

2. The believer shall not walk in darkness, John 8:12.

3. The believer shall never hunger, infidel.

Phil. 4:19; John 6:28-35. 4. The believer shall never thirst,

John 7:37-39.
5. The believer shall never perish,

John 3:15. 6. The believer shall never be plucked

out of Jesus' hands, John 10:27-29.

7. The believer shall never die, John

#### LAW OF LOVE

I. Set Forth God's Love for Us (John 3:16, 17).

Patience, long-suffering, etc.

II. Requires Our Love in Return.

1. Love that serves.
"Thou shalt love the Lord thy God and him only shalt thou serve."

2. Love that trusts (Ps. 37:4, 5). "Perfect love casteth out fear."

3. Love for others—"Thy neighbour as thyself."

Cannot love God, unseen-if hate the seen.

4. Love that separates—"Love not world nor things of the world."

5. Purifying or sanctifying love. Love for His appearing. -H. L. Bourner.

#### PETER AND PAUL IN PRISON: A CONTRAST Acts 12 and 16

I. Peter:

1. Asleep-soldiers asleep-under sentence of death.

2. Unconscious of opportunity.

3. Prayer meeting outside.

4. Delivered alone-all others left in their sleep.

II. Paul:

1. A prayer and praise meeting in prison.

2. All heard.

3. All awakened.

4. When the Lord brought Paul out he brought a family out with him.

Peter limited by his circumstances. Paul triumphs over his circumstances -feet in stocks, but not tonguesame God delivered both in answer to prayer.

Soldiers (Acts 12):

Asleep.

2. Under sentence.

Last opportunity.
 Died without hope.

Jailer (Acts 16): 1. Prejudiced (v. 24).

Asleep (v. 27). 3. Conscious of danger (v. 27).

Seeker (v. 30).

5. Confession (v. 33).

-E. Buckler.

#### RESULTS OF THINKING

"What thinkest thou?"-Matt. 17:25. SEVEN THINGS ABOUT STRIVING

1. Right thinking will make a Christian.

2. Wrong thinking will make an

3. Half-way thinking will make a 3. Striving and perish-Modernist.

4. Lack of thinking reduces man to the level of the brute. -D. J. Burrell.

#### SOME IMPOSSIBLE THINGS FOR THE WICKED Luke 16:19-31

1. Impossible to live as they ought (vv. 19-21).

Impossible to perpetuate present conditions (v. 22).

Impossible to cease to exist (vv. 23. 24).

Impossible to control movements after death (v. 23).

Impossible to forget (v. 25).

Impossible to improve conditions in Hades (vv. 23-25).

Impossible to escape from Hades (v. 26).

Impossible to send any communication back to earth (vv. 27-29).

Impossible to be saved after death (v. 30).

Impossible to improve upon God's plan (vv. 29-31).

Impossible to save those who reject the Scriptures (v. 31).

Impossible to escape judgment (2 Pet. 2:4; Jude 6; Heb. 9:27; Rev. 20:13).

-Lee W. Ames.

#### THE VOICE, THE VESSEL

John the Baptist, "the voice"-"The voice of one crying in the wilderness' (Matt. 3:3).

I. Forget his height. Forget the color of his eyes or the size of his head. He is a voice. Hear his message!

Saul, afterward called Paul, "a vessel." "He is a chosen vessel unto me, to bear my name before the Gentiles, and kings, and the children of Israel" (Acts 9:15).

II. Forget his form and his voice. Behold what he brings!

1. John the Baptist, "the voice"breaks the silence of four hundred years.

2. John the Baptist, "the voice"—

tells of Jesus at hand.

3. John the Baptist, "the voice" cries "Behold, the Lamb of God." It is all that side of Calvary.

1. Paul, a chosen vessel—carries to the people what has been done.

2. Paul, a chosen vessel-has not a word to suggest, even the slightest gesture lacking, for the salvation of sinners to be provided.

3. Paul, a chosen vessel-insists that Christ shall be "all in all."

It is all this side of Calvary. -Henry Ostrom.

#### GOD'S TRUST TO THE DISCIPLE 1 Thessalonians 2

1. Commission of the Trust (vv. 1-9).

2. Call of the Trusted (vv. 10-18).

3. Crown of the Trustworthy (vv. 19, 20).

-Edna E. Hufnagel.

1. The striving spirit-

For our good.

2. Striving against Him-For your own harm.

For one's own doom.

4. Striving to enter-For entrance to life.

5. Striving in prayer-For God's servant.

6. Striving for the gospel-For souls to be saved

7. Striving for the mastery-

For the incorruptible crown.

-J. M.

#### THE UNSPEAKABLE GIFT

"Thanks be unto God for his unspeakable gift" (2 Cor. 9:15).

1. A Prophesied Gift (Gen. 3:15; Isa. 7:14; 9:6).

2. A Sacrificial Gift (1 Cor. 5:7).

3. A Necessary Gift (John 14:6; 15:5; 1 John 2:23; 1 John 5:12).

4. A Sufficient Gift (Col. 3:11, 2:10).

5. A Satisfying Gift (Ps. 107:9). 6. A Universal Gift (John 3:16).

7. A Precious Gift (1 Pet. 2:7).

8. A Victorious Gift (1 Cor. 15:57; 1 John 5:4).

9. A Free Gift (Rom. 5:18; Rev. 22:17; Isa. 55:1; Rom. 6:23).

10. A Rejected Gift (John 5:40).

11. An Individual Gift (John 3:36). 12. An Accepted Gift (John 1:12). -Wm. H. Schweinfurth

#### THE PSALM OF JOY Psalm 126

I. Key words in this jubilant Psalm: 1. Laughter.

"Then was our mouth filled with laughter" (v. 2).

2. Singing.

"And our tongue with singing" (v. 2).

3. Joy.
"They that sow in tears shall reap in joy" (v. 5), cf. Ps. 51:12; John 16:24.

4. Rejoicing.

"Shall doubtless come again with rejoicing" (v. 6).

Observations:

1. The shout of the harvesters is the song of the soul-winner.

2. The sheaves are bound up with rejoicing, and none but those that "sow in tears" shall know what it means to "reap in joy." -F. B. Hoagland.

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#### "TWO OF YOU" Matthew 18:19

If two of you agree on earth, As touching anything That ye shall ask in drought or dearth,-Prayer shall its answer bring.

two of you agree-just two-Not numbers swayed by power, But two linked hearts, with purpose true, That pray in some dark hour;

If two of you agree-just two-Who share a heavy load, Or, with sad questioning eyes pursue The lone Emmaus road:

If two of you-just two-Thereby encouraging Each other, strong in faith to be,-Prayer shall its answer bring.

If two of you agree to ask In Jesus' name for aught, Your Father undertakes the task Of doing what ye sought! Winifred A. Iverson, in The Christian.

#### WHERE DO MINISTERS COME FROM?

Answering the question "Where do the ministers come from?" an exchange gives these statistics, which it declares are reliable: Candidates for the ministry come from all classes. The sons of farmers make up forty-eight per cent of the supply; the sons of ministers fourteen per cent; the sons of merchants eleven per cent; the sons of laborers four per cent; the sons of carpenters and physicians three per cent each: the sons of lawyers two per cent; the sons of bankers one per cent, and the sons of all other classes combined seven per cent. When it is remembered that the number of ministers is small as compared with men in other professions and callings, it will be seen that the ministry furnishes a far larger proportion than any other profession or pursuit .- Watchman-Examiner.

#### D. L. MOODY SAID THESE THINGS

Conscience is not a safe guide, because very often conscience won't tell you you have done wrong until after you have done it. but the Bible will tell you what is wrong before you have done it.

Always put your "if" in the right place. In the case of the man who wanted Christ to cast the dumb spirit out of his son, the father said, "If thou canst do anything"; but the Lord answered him, "If thou canst believe." Christ straightened out the "if" and put it in the right place.

When a man lives up to what he preaches, then his testimony has weight.

Word and work-the two W's. will soon get spiritually gorged if it is all Word and no work, and you will soon be without power if it is all work and no Word. If you want to be healthy Christians there must be both Word and work.

#### "COMMIT THY WAY UNTO THE LORD"

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1. Because none of us know what a day or an hour will bring forth.

Most of us have a general idea of what we will do tomorrow, and the day after.

Some expect to go to the factory or store where we are employed. Some to attend school or to teach school. And if nothing prevents we plan to spend the whole year in practically the same way. Our health is apparently so robust and abundant that it does not seem as if we could be seriously sick. Our bank account is so large that it does not seem possible for us to come to want. Yet many a man has seen his fortune swept away in a week.

2. God does know just what each day and hour of the year to come will bring to us.

The weather bureau tells us what the weather will be for a day or two ahead, and almanac makers, by the law of averages, have long been able to predict the weather for months ahead. God knows just where you will be, and what you will be doing on each day of the coming year.

3. God is able to change the course

of our life, as He thinks best.

A friend and former parishioner of mine recently reminded me that I had led him to adopt the habit of tithing. He had never dropped it, but gone far beyond that proportion. This year among his charities he said that he was building a \$300,000 settlementhouse in lower New York City. When this young man adopted this plan because it seemed to him to be God's will for him, I am confident that his income was not over \$1000 a year. He was faithful when he had little, and God has now made it possible to do large things. Thousands of others have tithed their income, but God has not made them millionaires. Probably some of us could not be trusted with much more than an ordinary livelihood.

The poet Cowper was subject to fits of great depression. One day he ordered a cab and told the driver to take him to London Bridge. Soon a dense fog settled down upon the city. The cabby wandered about for two hours and then admitted that he was lost, though he had been in the business for many years. Cowper asked him if he thought he could find the way home. He said that he did and in an hour landed him at his door. When asked what the fare would be, he mentioned a sum, but said that he felt that he ought not to take anything as he had not filled his order. "Never mind," said Cowper,
"you have saved my life. I was on my way to throw myself off from London Bridge," and he gave him double the usual fare. He then went into the house and wrote the hymn-

"God moves in a mysterious way His wonders to perform; He plants His footsteps on the sea, And rides upon the storm.

"Blind unbelief is sure to err And scan His work in vain; God is His own interpreter, And He will make it plain." -Howard W. Pope.

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"The Lord" indicates His distinctiveness—namely, the absolute Sovereign to whom we are responsible. "The Lord" occurs eight times; but the title in 2
Peter 2:1, "Despotees," is different
from "Kurios," which occurs in the
other places. When "The Lord" is mentioned, His authority, His rights, and His power are to the front.

## THE VALUE OF THE MIDWEEK PRAYER MEETING

"I know that in my youth nothing instructed and stimulated me more than the careful and interesting expositions of Scripture given by my father, who was my pastor, at the midweek prayer meeting; and in all my experience of the midweek prayer meeting since that time I have missed that old stimulation. The meeting was then a great instrument of religious educa-tion."—Ex-President Woodrow Wilson.

"I know this, that in proportion as I am absent from the weekly prayer meetings of the church, my interest in and my familiarity with the life of the church and my fellowship with the members of the church, in Christian work, immediately and proportionately declines; and I fancy that my experience is an ordinary one. It is the duty of every Christian, who is so situated in life that he can do so, to attend regularly the weekly prayer meetings of his church, even though they may be, at times, mighty dull."—Judge Selden P. Spencer.

"I am glad to testify to the value of the midweek prayer meeting, and to acknowledge my own personal indebtedness to it. If in any church it is not successful as a means of instruction and inspiration, it is not the fault of the prayer meeting, but of the people, perhaps, in some cases, of the minister. If the minister and the people will go in the right spirit, the meeting will be a success. Nothing can take its place. I do not see how any church can have more than a name to live if it has not a real prayer life centered in a real prayer meeting."—Hon. H. B. F. McFarland.

"It has been my personal experience, as well as observation, that the midweek prayer meeting is essential to Christian life and to the building up of Christian character."—The late Henry J.

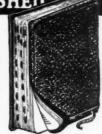
"In my opinion, there is nothing better to promote the spirituality and activity of our churches than to awaken new interest in the midweek prayer meeting. I am glad, from personal experience, to bear testimony to its usefulness in shaping Christian life and chercher." shaping Christian life and character."

—Hon. John W. Foster, ex-Secretary

"The meetings should be made more interesting and inspiring; and, to this end, more careful preparation should be made in advance for it. Subjects of practical and spiritual interest should be considered, and all church members be invited to take part, special duties being allotted in advance to a certain number on each evening."—The late John H. Converse. MOST HELPFUL BIBLE PUBLISHED

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## Evangelistic and Bible Conference Fields

Evangelists and other Christian workers reporting items or contributing any matter for this department will please arrange to have copy reach the magazine not later than the second day of the month preceding date of issue.

This department is intended for news in concise reports of revival meetings, soul-winning campaigns and a record of evangelistic and Bible conference work in general. We do not invite statements eulogizing the leaders or participants in these lines of work nor can we promise to print them.—Editors.

S. D. Goodale reports: "I have closed a fine meeting at Burlington, Ia. It was a real spiritual awakening. From there I went to Morning Sun, Ia."

E. Henderson Lane and wife opened their year's work at the Miller Memorial United Brethren Church, in Des Moines, Ia. From there they will go to Richland Center, Wis.

Evangelist A. T. Swanson and Clarence L. Mills recently closed one of their most successful meetings for many years in the First Baptist Church of Oskaloosa, Ia. Many were saved and a large number renewed their pledges to the Lord.

Rev. E. O. Otto, of Denver, Colo., closed a very successful meeting with the Pear Park Baptist Church near Grand Junction, Colo. There were ten additions to the church. A deep spirit of conviction for sin was manifest throughout the meeting.

Robert R. Tinkham reports: "I have just closed a fifteen day meeting at Kipton, O. There was every evidence of an old fashioned revival. The church was quickened and many accepted Christ as their Saviour. A day of prayer and fasting on the part of the church bore great results."

The Newell Brothers closed a wonderful campaign at the First Evangelical Church, Hagerstown, Md. The church was crowded to its capacity every night. From there the party opened a campaign in Beaver Valley, Pa., where God was pleased to save 101 souls in one week's time. Dr. H. H. Newell and party opened the new year's work at Columbus, O., following with campaigns at Marion, O., Franklin and Rochester, Pa.

Mr. and Mrs. L. James Kindig have been working in Collinsville, Ill., Twelve Mile, Ind., Mattoon and Jerseyville, Ill., during October, November and December. They have assisted the pastors as singing evangelists except at Mattoon where Evangelist John Mc-Minn preached. They report fine meetings at each place. One feature of their work is promoting the reading of the Bible, 11,625 chapters being read in the Mattoon meeting. From Jerseyville they went to Loree, Ind., and Arthur, Ill.

The Longs, evangelistic singers, just closed a three weeks campaign at the First Methodist Episcopal Church, Garden City, Kan. It was a fine meeting with more than 100 converts.

Evangelist Dan Shannon writes: "The crowds were so great at the meeting at Eagle Grove, Ia., that two meetings were wanted each night. Scores of men and women were converted. From there I went to Marble Rock, Ia."

"During the three weeks evangelistic campaign at Powers Lake, N. Dak., we had the house filled every night," writes E. G. and Mrs. Aldridge. "There writes E. G. and Mrs. Aldridge. were 150 reconsecrations, thirty-nine conversions and fifteen baptisms."

Dr. H. P. Dunlop and wife are in their eleventh year of evangelism and are rejoicing in being used of the Lord in this special line. Dr. Dunlop has been in religious work for the last twenty-one

Paul and Mrs. Hutchens closed their work of 1925 in Wisconsin. Their last two meetings were held at Black River Falls and Melrose. Mr. Hutchens does the preaching and acts as song leader, and Mrs. Hutchens is pianist and children's worker.

John R. Snyder writes: "The year of 1925 has been a very fruitful one. I have held meetings in Pennsylvania, Michigan, Virginia, Kansas, Missouri, Tennessee and Alabama. In these meetings there were several hundred conversions and a deepening of the spiritual life of the churches."

Mrs. Whittemore reports that ninetythree missions for girls known as the "Door of Hope," have now been established, and she is hoping and praying that the number may reach 100 before she enters on eternal rest. Mrs. Whittemore is now in her seventy-fifth year and is still an invalid confined to her bed.

One hundred and fifteen decisions for Christ were recorded in response to the first invitation given by Evangelist Vom Bruch at the Maple Street Evangelical Church, Lancaster, O. Great interest is manifested in the campaign and great results are expected. Vom Bruch writes that Gospel Truth in Song is a great book and is proving to be a big help and blessing in his work. Each song carries a message. The next meeting will be held in Charleston, W. Va. On April first Mr. Vom Bruch and Harry Clarke will conduct a cruise to the Holy Land, Egypt, Greece and Europe.

Dr. M. W. and Mrs. Lau closed meetings at Bendersville and Hunterstown, Pa. On January 21 they started on a trip around the world, visiting missionary stations in Honolulu, Japan, China, the Philippines, India, Palestine and Africa.

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E. G. Sawyer writes: "We have had our best year in the work of evangelism. Our work for 1925 covered New Cumberland, Pa., Macomb, Ill., Claysville, and Greensburg, Pa. Several hundred accepted the Lord in these meetings.'

Evangelist John M. Baker commenced a two weeks campaign January 10 at Hillsboro, Md., in the Methodist Episcopal church. He was assisted by the pastor W. P. Taylor and Prof. J. Albert Loose, soloist and song leader.

Evangelist T. M. Hofmeister recently addressed the Students League of Many Nations while on its tour of Ohio. league is under the direction of Dr. John A. Davis and represents twenty-one countries.

Edward P. and Mrs. White assisted Rev. C. M. Vawter in the Methodist Episcopal church at Osceola, Ind. The feature of this meeting was the children's work. In the young people's society eight gave themselves for life service. There were thirty-four who united with the church.

Rev. S. E. Lewis, for eight years with the New York Baptist State Convention staff of evangelists, and recently pastor of the Immanuel Baptist Church in Cleveland, O., is returning to his former field of activities. He has just closed a two weeks campaign at Clifton Park, N. Y., with fifty decisions and many reconsecrations. Twenty-eight united with the church before the campaign

William S. Dixon, the Baptist singing evangelist, of Wheaton, Ill., has recently sung before the Baptist ministers of Boston, Mass., before the mid-week service of Tremont Temple, Boston, Mass., and before the Baptist ministers of Cincinnati, O., as well as giving a devotional talk before the Sunday-school cabinet of the First Baptist Church of Newport, Ky. Two campaigns in Iowa are scheduled for the first of the year. Mr. Dixon is specializing as a 'pastor's helper in evangelism."

Rev. L. E. Gatch assisted by Rev. and Mrs. J. W. News closed a three and onehalf weeks revival in Lima, Ill. For the last six or seven years attempts have been made by former pastors to hold a revival but somehow the meetings failed to be what they desired or needed. Thus the church members were discouraged and would not give their pastor any encouragement. But the pastor was not daunted and the meetings commenced on the evening of Armistice Day and continued for two weeks, after which an altar

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call was given and only two saintly men ville, N. C., and also New Bern, N. C. responded. At the close of two weeks and a half another invitation was given and nine young people responded. As a result of these meetings nine accepted Christ as their Saviour and fifteen united with the church. The pastor and the people are rejoicing over this victory.

#### EXTENSION DEPARTMENT NOTES

Dr. J. E. Conant after closing a very successful engagement with the Memorial Baptist Church of Columbus, O., is now conducting an evangelistic campaign at the First Presbyterian Church of Kansas City, Kan., of which Rev. Robert Karr is pastor. He will be assisted there by Mr. and Mrs. W. Earl Robinson.

Rev. Franklin T. Conner, who was announced as a new member of the Extension staff in last month's issue, sup-

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plied the pulpits of the First Baptist Church and the College Church of Christ, in Wheaton, Ill., and spoke at the Watch Night service in the Swedish Baptist Church of Kenosha, Wis., during December. Extensive plans are being made for Mr. Con-

ner to teach a series of union Bible classes which are being organized in and around Chicago. It is expected that most of his time will be occupied in this manner.

Rev. Geo. E. Guille, on December 13 gave a message at the morning service in the First Congregational Church of Cicero, and at the evening service in the North Shore Congrega-tional Church of Chicago. Following the holidays he left for an eight day engagement with the Jefferson Avenue Baptist Church at Detroit, Mich., after which he conducted an eight day Bible conference at the Knox Presbyterian Church of Kearny, N. J. He is now engaged in teaching the Bible to various groups in New York. On the 9th of February Mr. Guille will sail for a tour of the Holy Land with a small party and expects to return about the middle of next May, after which he will be available for other engagements.

Rev. Elmer M. Moser after closing an evangelistic campaign with Rev. Roy M. Williams of the Evangelical Bungalow Church at Deerfield, Ill., left for Kansas City, Kan., to prepare the field for Dr. Conant's evangelistic meeting in the First Presbyterian Church.

Dr. Henry Ostrom after closing the first of his western engagements at Pendleton, Ore., left to begin a Bible conference at Wenatchee, Wash., on the 27th of January. This engagement will close on the 14th, and beginning on the 17th he will be engaged in a similar conference with the Knox Presbyterian Church at Spokane, Wash.

Mr. C. E. Putnam has recently filled engagements as a Bible teacher at Grant-ham, Pa., Mars Hill, N. C., West Ashe-

Rev. C. Edward LaReau, another new



member of our Extension staff announced last month, conducted an eight day union Bible conference at Washing-ton, Ill., which was sponsored by the local Min-ister's Union and Laymen's Association. He was assisted there by

Professor and Mrs. Bittikofer.

On December 13 Rev. J. A. Sutherland preached at the Kimball Avenue Evangelical Church of Chicago in the evening. Immediately following the holidays he left to direct the Bible conferences in the Southeast under the auspices of the Institute, where he will also serve as a teacher. During January he was at Jacksonville and Miami, Fla., and during the month of February is to conduct similar conferences at St. Petersburg

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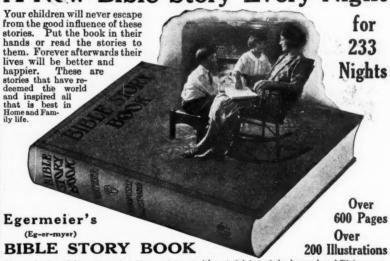
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and Tampa, Fla., Galveston and Houston. Tex., and Birmingham, Ala. He will be assisted in these various conferences by different outstanding teachers and preachers such as Mr. H. A. Ironside, and Rev. Wm R. Dobyns, D. D., LL.D. and also Dr. Wm. P. White of the Extension staff.

Mr. W. Earl Robinson, who has been secured as an associate for Dr. Conant

to assist in his evangelistic campaigns, giving particular attention to the organization work and also the music, assisted Evangelist Lowry in the union evangelistic meeting at New London, Ia., during January. During this month he is with Dr. Conant in Kansas City,

Dr. Wm. P. White occupied the pulpit of the North Shore Congregational Church of Chicago on Sunday, December 13, and in the evening preached at the First United Presbyterian Church of Oak Park, Ill. On December 20 he filled the pulpit of Elim Chapel, Winnipeg. After closing a successful Bible teaching conference with the First Presbyterian Church of Pueblo, Colo., on the 10th of January he left for a short trip through Southern California after which he will depart for Houston, Tex., where he will serve as one of the teachers at the Bible conference.

During January the five Protestant churches of New London, Ia., united with the Chamber of Commerce of that city co-operating in an evangelistic campaign under the auspices of the Moody Bible Institute. The Extension Department secured Rev. Oscar Lowry, the well known evangelist, to conduct the campaign. He was assisted during the first part of the meeting by the evangelistic singer, Rev. Wm. S. Dixon, and Mr. W. L. Rugg of the Extension Department. On account of other engagements these two were relieved after the first week by Mr. and Mrs. W. Earl Robinson.

#### **FUTURE ENGAGEMENTS**

Below are given the engagements with dates as far as known, of the workers named. Our readers are earnestly invited to remember these laborers and their fields of appointments in their prayers.

Harry O. Anderson Party—January, Placentia, range County, Calif.; February-March, Waterloo,

C. B. Brooks—Jan. 24-Feb. 14, Corydon, Ia.; Feb. 21-Mar. 7, Decorah, Ia.; Mar. 14-Apr. 4, Sioux City, Ia.

Colegrove - Loes Evangelistic Party — January, Grand River, Ia.; February, Beaconsfield, Ia.; March, Grayling, Mich.

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Will Hogg Evangelistic Party-Jan. 10, Mayfield,

H. F. Holbrook-January, Toulon, Ill.

Paul Hutchens and wife—January, Warrens, Wis.; February, Humbird, Wis.; April, Alma Center, Wis.

P. H. Kadey—Feb. 7-Mar. 7, Mayville, Mich.; Mar. 14-Apr. 4, Flint, Mich.; May-June, Gregory,

Mich.; July, Yale, Mich.; Aug. 16-29, Gull Lake, E. Henderson Lane—February, Richland Center, Wis.

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Charles Cullen Smith—January, Danville, Ia.
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March, Bessemer, Ala.; April, Thomasville, Ga.;
May, Macon, Ga.; June, Holly Springs, Miss.
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169 pages. 8x51/2 inches. George H. Doran Company, New York, \$1.60. P. B. F.

The Return of Our Lord, by A. C. Gaebelein.

The well known editor of Our Hope and the author of many books upon prophecy, has gathered together all the leading passages in the New Testament, as well as fifty prophecies of the Old Testament, concerning the return of Christ. This will be appreciated by those who desire a brief compendium of the entire subject, and the student who with this book as an outline text can reach his own conclusions from a study of the Scripture references.

125 pages, 71/4x4 1/4 inches. "Our Hope" Publishing Company, New York. \$1.00.

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Jewish Ceremonial Institutions and Customs, by William Rosenau, STEREOPTICONS Ph. D., L. H. D.

This book gives a good description of the more important customs and religious practices of the Jewish people. It will be of interest to the Christian who desires to know more about the people who live next door to him and from whom he buys most of the necessities of life.

The author belongs to the class of Reformed Jews and is a rabbi of a Reformed synagogue in Baltimore. To him these institutions do not mean anything more than interesting relics of the past. The majority of the Jews, however, are orthodox, and still hold to

these practices with great tenacity. 190 pages. 7½x4¾ inches. Bloch Publishing Company, New York. \$2.50. S. B.

#### BOOKS RECEIVED

Fleming H. Revell Company, Chicago and New York.

"Christ and His Companions," by William Jennings Bryan. Cloth, 244 pages, \$1.50.

"Five Laws That Govern Prayer," by S. D. Gordon. Cloth, 95 pages, \$1.

"Love, the Perfume of Heaven," by George Walton King. Cloth, 64 pages, 75 cents.

"The Joy of Discovery, and Other Addresses," by Rev. John Richelsen, D. D. Cloth, 160 pages, \$1.25.

"Forbid Him Not," by Rev. James I. Vance, D. D., LL. D. Cloth, 201 pages, \$1.50.

"Demon Possession and Allied Themes," by Rev. John L. Nevius, D. D. Cloth, 518 pages, \$2.

George H. Doran Company, New York.

"The Famous New York Fundamentalist-Modernist Debates," the Orthodox Side, by Rev. John Reach Straton, D. D. Cloth, 256 pages, \$1.50.

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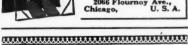
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#### WINTER GRADUATION

The December class of seventy-two received diplomas on the evening of December 17 in the presence of an audience which filled the Auditorium.

The address, on "Man's Three-fold Nature," was by Rev. Herbert Whiting Virgin, D. D., pastor of the North Shore Baptist Church of Chicago. Mr. Henry P. Crowell, President of the Board of Trustees, presented the diplomas, and spoke some earnest words of appreciation, confidence and encouragement to the class.

In the forenoon addresses were delivered by the class speakers, Esther S. Burns and Ervin F. Austin. The subject of Miss Burns was "The Christian's Calling," and of Mr. Austin, "The Christian's Race." A. G. Rotenberry, class president, presented a composite picture of the graduates, which was accepted by Dr. Gray. The class then filed into the choir loft and sang the class song, "Kept by the Power of God," the words of which were written by Ethel R. Harper and the music by Edna P. Wright.

The Faculty and Business Staff gave a reception to the graduates at 5 o'clock,

and a dinner in their honor followed.

The graduates were: Louise Jane Akin, Minnesota; Merlya Dorothy Anderson, New York; Mildred Thusnelda Baum, Illinois; Teresa Bettes, Texas; Carrie Bode, Iowa; Esther S. Lillian Burns, Iowa; Sarah Pauline Certain, Illinois; Florence Cronk, New Jersey; Ruth Addington Douglas, Ohio; Elida Marie Freeman, Washington; Harriette M. Gitterman, Illinois; Nellie Peal Hamill, Missouri; Gertrude S. Hamilton, Canada; Ethel Regina Harper, England; Twila Delilah Harriger, Pennsylvania; Violet Jewell Heefner, Iowa; Inez Lucille Kennedy, Michigan; Jennie E. Kingston, Massachusetts; Irene Esther Knobloch, Pennsylvania; Marie I. Knutson, Montana; Leera Kathleen Kreger, Ohio; Katherine McFarland, Pennsylvania; Murdean I. MacLeod, Canada: Mabel M. Moyer, Pennsylvania; Esther Beatrice Piper, Illinois; Olive Powell, Indiana; Myrtle T. Raedeke, Illinois; Florence M. Reed, Arkansas; Mrs. W. A. Rorer, Virginia; Marguerite T. Ros, Michigan; Dorothy Jean Scott Rose, Illinois; Kathrine S. Sancken, Illinois; Helen May Shaw, New York; Marjorie

Irene Simpson, Canada; Emma E. Tofelt, Wisconsin; Elizabeth Estes Turner, West Virginia; Barbara Ruth Ward, Michigan; Miriam S. Warren, Illinois; Evelyn Johnson Waterman, Illinois; Mrs. Luther N. Wheeler, Virginia; Hazel V. Williamson, Minnesota; Edna Pearl Wright, Pennsylvania; Nelda L. Zick, Wisconsin; Ervin F. Austin, Arkansas; Leslie Keithly Barbee, Missouri; Bertram Betteridege, Illinois; Mark David Boyd, Indiana; Percy B. Castle, New York; William H. Dail, Tennessee; Henry P. Douglas, Ohio; Robert M. Douglas, Indiana; Francis J. Fitzwilliam, Illinois; Herschel Fravel, Michigan; Henry Heerschap, New Jersey; Donald Gray Hescott, Michigan; Jacob Huizenga, Michigan; Harry F. Johnson, Tennessee; Will H. Kielhorn, Illinois; Paul John Knaak, Kansas; Ernest S. Larson, Illinois; Everett Earl Lewis, Illinois; Charles Robert Polley, England; Andrew Garland Rotenberry, Alabama; Gordon Hedderly Smith, Canada; Frederick Stettler, Switzerland; Frank M. Taylor, Colorado; Vincent A. Tellgren, Minnesota; George Westberg, Minnesota; Bernhard C. Willems, Kansas; Albert William Wright, Ohio; Samuel McKinley Wright, Pennsylvania; Paul T. Yamammoto, Japan.

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#### ASSISTANT TO THE PRESIDENT

Mr. H. Coleman Crowell, who since November 1923 has been serving the Institute as Assistant to the Business



Manager, has been made Assistant to the President, dating from the first of the current year. Mr. Crowell's duties will be

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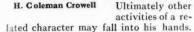
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chiefly the promotion work of the Institute as connected with the motion picture of its life and work recently produced, and the radio broadcasting station, now completed and awaiting the government license for its use. H. Coleman Crowell



O. H. Gerstenkorn, '18, is pastor of the Park Street Tabernacle, Kalamazoo, Mich.

Everett E. Loft, '14, in a recent letter to Dr. Gray says: "I learned the fundamentals of Christian service at the Moody Bible Institute and nowhere else."

W. A. Haggai, '22, recently conducted a two weeks campaign of evangelism and dispensational truth in the Baptist church at Brevard, N. C., under the auspices of Wayne A. Monroe, '22, Presbyterian

Sunday-school missionary. George B. Bell, '24, is secretary of the Agoga Bible class for men in the First Baptist Church, Evansville, Ind. Also associated with the varied activities of this church are John F. Rake, '04; A. C. and Mrs. Smith, '23; Mrs. Susan Coulter, '15, and Miss E. Loucks, '25.

A NEW INSTRUCTOR IN ENGLISH

Miss Blanche Mayo resigned as instructor in English at the close of the

fall term owing to the fact that close attention to her work had seriously affected her eyes, making it necessary for her to seek a different kind of employment. Her resignation was accepted with regret because of her enthusiastic interest in the whole life and work of the Institute.



Miss Elizabeth Dancey

For these classes Miss Elizabeth Dancey, of Wheaton, Ill., has been chosen. She is a graduate of Taylor University, and subsequently had two years of work at Rad-cliffe College, Harvard University. Miss Dancey has had experience also in evangelistic; work and as pastor's assistant. She is highly recommended in every way and has taken up her work as a rare opportunity for Christian J. M. G. service.

## CLASS SONG, DECEMBER, 1925

Kept By the Power of God. ETHEL R. HARPER. EDNA P. WRIGHT. We praise Thee, O God, all glo-rious in pow'r, For strength all-suf-We praise Thee, O Christ, Be-lov-ed of Heav'n, That in-to Thy We praise Thee, O Spir-it, Thou Com-fort-er blest, That Thou in our fi - cient in temp-ta - tion's hour; Our strength is but weakness; we keep-ing all pow-er is giv'n; A - bid - ing in Thee, all hearts art a most gracious Guest; O fill us, we pray, from lose in the fight, But great is the vic - t'ry when clad in Thy might.

strength is sup-plied, To bring help-less wan-d'rers to Thy wound-ed side. self set us free, That we in our serv-ice may glo-ri-fy Thee.

Kept by His pow'r! we can-not fail, Tho' all Satan's legions our strong-hold as-sail,

Tri-um-phant we follow the pathway He trod, Kept by the in-fi-nite pow'r of God.

#### MR. LEAMAN IN INDIANA

-James M. Gray.

Rev. A. H. Leaman, Acting Director of Practical Work, reports a profitable evangelistic meeting in December at Darlington, Ind., which resulted in nearly a hundred conversions. There he talked with eight people who had heard Mr. Moody at the time of the World's Fair and who said the meeting reminded them very much of Mr. Moody's meetings. A number of the young men from the vicinity of Darlington are thinking of coming to the Institute to prepare for Christian work.

#### "HEAVEN'S MORN-ING BREAKS"

Rev. Harry J. Baldwin, who was graduated from the Institute in 1914, was recently appointed assistant superintendent of the Ganado Indian Mission. Mention was made of him in a story which appeared in the January issue under the title "In Navaho Land," but before this reached our readers Mr. Baldwin was called home. His body rests in the little Indian cemetery at Ganado.

#### STUDENTS OF OTH-ER DAYS

Howard T. Stahl, '21, is pastor of the Nazarene church at Hollywood, Md

William H. Swan (evening student), '12, has been reappointed to the Rockville, Mo., circuit by the St. Louis Methodist Episcopal Conference.

#### STUDENTS OF OTHER DAYS (Continued)

Miss Armenia Thompson, '20, and Miss Mina Pletcher, '19, are on the teaching staff of the Bible Woman's Training School of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church. Miss Pletcher is also district evangelist.

Miss Dorothy Russell, '19, is engaged in evangelistic work and Bible teaching in North and South Carolina. She writes: "I wish more Institute graduates might come into this section where the fields are white with harvest and comparatively few spiritfilled laborers."

Isaac Wesley Clark, '22, is now associated with Samuel Decker, '24, in Corumba, Brazil. They are working under the Inland South America Missionary Union, and hope to establish at Corumba a training school for native pastors and evangelists. Thev request prayers for this undertaking.

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George C. Fisher, '18, has recently completed his third year as pastor of the churches at Arpin and Sherry, Wis. At the reception given to Mr. and Mrs. Fisher reports showed that the membership had more than doubled at the Arpin church. At the close of the evening program Mr. Fisher was presented with a purse of \$315.00 as a thank offering for his work.

Charles H. Gray, '05, is pastor of the gospel mission of Can-

ton, Ill.
J. Fred Scholfield, '07, has recently completed his third year as director of music at the First Baptist Church, Birm-

ingham, Ala. A recent report shows that 1,650 have joined the church in the past three years.

Myrtle Niman, '22, is doing missionary work at the City Rescue Mission, Muskegon, Mich.

#### PICTURE

Front row (left to right) Alice H. Yerxa, '22; Inez Green '24; Elsiemae Buttles, '24; Annie E. Blair, '24; Edna E. Lemmon, '24; Grace L. Fraser, '25; Mrs. Cora B. Hanna (Cora Grant, '23); Elsie L. Pottinger, '22. Back row (left to right) E. E. Strother, '07; Mrs. Mary Newell Woodbridge, '96; Hattie Bailey, '18; Mrs. C. H. Judd (Belle Takken, '96); Mrs. Cora Espeland, '11; Mrs. Caroline L. Toone (Caroline L. Kay, '17); Christiana Anderson, '01; C. G. Gowman, '11; Mae F. Mayo, '95; Mrs. C. G. Gowman (Anna C. Dukeshere, '11); Harold D. Hayward, '23, and Mrs. Hatward (Helen M. Farquharson, '22).

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Moody Bible Institute Reunion at the home of Mrs. C. H. Judd, China Island Mission, Shanghai, Nov. 5, 1925

#### BORN

To Andrew, '20, and Mrs. Ruch (Martha Wolf, '21), a daughter, Emma Louise, Dec. 12, Jersey City, N. J. To Emil G., '25, and Mrs. Teyssier,

To Emil G., '25, and Mrs. Teyssier, '25, a son, Howard Jennings, Oct. 8, Chicago, Ill.

To A. J. and Mrs. Gibbs (Clara V. Ault, '18), a daughter, Gene Lois, Sept. 6, Angola, Africa.

#### MARRIED

William M. Troeger and Cora E. Bunce, '17, Dec. 13, Des Moines, Ia. Walter N. Landwer and Ida A. Koritz, '25, Nov. 22, Barrington, Ill.

William Joseph Brown and Eva Luella Shaver, '22, Dec. 10, Miami, Fla. Captain David Ralph Brown, and Beulah May Brown, '17, Dec. 30, New York City.

Raymond E. Young, and Mary Theresa Hoffman, '20, Nov. 21, Tientsin, N.

#### CONVOCATION OF EX-TENSION DEPARTMENT WORKERS

The members of the Extension staff of the Institute were called to Chicago for a conference December 8-17. The purpose of the conference was to enable these workers to come together for fellowship and the study of the Institute activities, to become more familiar with the work of the institution they are representing in the field. Such a gathering gave the members of the staff an opportunity to discuss the problems of the Extension Department and offer constructive suggestions. But perhaps the most important gain

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from this conference was the spiritual refreshing resulting from this new touch with the Institute life and the special opportunities that were given for prayer. The activities of the opening day were concluded by a reception at the home of the president, Dr. Gray. On Wednesday the staff met with the Executive Committee of the Board of Trustees for conference and supper.

During the conference the department heads, directors of courses and others met with the Extension staff to present and discuss their particular responsibilities and activities.

One of the high points of the conference was the rally in the Auditorium from 9:30 to 12:00 noon on Thursday forenoon when the day students, the Institute Council and others were present. Dr. Gray presided and the Extension workers were the speakers. In the evening the new motion picture of the life and work of the Institute was shown for the benefit of the Extension staff and Evening School



Left to right, front row—Rev. James J. Hobbins, Dr. J. E. Conant, Willard L. Rugg, Miss Edith I. Eminger, George V. Kirk, Miss Elinor Stafford Millar, Grover C. Prince, Rev. C. Edward La Reau, Rev. Elmer M. Moser. Second row—Rev. Abner F. Bowling, P. Webster Campbell, Walter M. Hodges, Howard K. Nelson, Rev. H. L. Burkett, Rev. H. P. Blanchard, E. B. Buckalew, Rev. Louis H. Griffin. Back row—Rev. George E. Guille, Rev. Franklin T. Conner, Dr. Wm. P. White, Rev. James A. Sutherland.

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#### FREE GRANTS OF BOOKS

Literature was sent out on account of the Book Funds named from December 1 to 31, 1925, inclusive: Alaska Book Fund: To one point in Alaska; 24 Colportage Library books, 36 Evangel Booklets, and 25 Pocket Treasurys. Free Tract Book Fund: To 1 point in one state;

Free Tract Book Fund: To 1 point in one state; 600 tracts.

Hospital Book Fund: To 24 points in fourteen states; 715 Colportage Library books, 75 emphasized Gospels, 813 Evangel Booklets, 110 Pocket Treasurys, 8 Testaments, 800 tracts.

Latin-American Book Fund: To 2 points in two states and 7 points in five countries; \$43 Colportage Library books, 664 Evangel Booklets, 12 Pocket Treasurys.

Lumber Camp Book Fund: To 3 points in two states, and 1 point in Canada; 284 Colportage Library books, 32 Evangel Booklets, 150 Pocket Treasurys.

Mountain Book Fund: To 179 points in seven states; 6120 Colportage Library books, 32 Evangel Booklets, 150 Pocket Treasurys.

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Bibles.

Prison Book Fund: To 103 points in thirty-six states and 2 points in Canada; 5109 Colportage Library books, 308 Emphasized Gospels, 5176 Evangel Booklets, 5974 Pocket Treasurys, 15 Testaments,

Library books, 308 Empnasures Gospeis, 3710 Evangel Booklets, 5974 Pocket Treasurys, 15 Testaments,
and 662 tracts.

Railroad Book Fund: To 1 point in one state;
100 Colportage Library books, 100 Evangel Booklets,
and 100 Pocket Treasurys.

Seamen's Book Fund: To 1 point in one state;
43 Colportage Library books, 42 Evangel Booklets,
and 50 Pocket Treasurys.

FThe total amount of literature sent out on the
above Book Funds during December is as follows:
To 380 points in forty-three states, 8 points in
Canada, 1 point in Alaska, and 7 points in five foreign
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students who were not present when the Day School students saw the picture earlier in the term. On Friday the members of the Extension staff were the guests of the Institute Council for luncheon, and in the evening they were served with supper at the Evening School, later visiting the classes.

A fitting climax was the graduation, closing the fall term.

The field workers were all well pleased with the gathering and went away spiritually refreshed and with a deeper appreciation of the Institute, Their visit was a blessing and help to the students and officials whose duties keep them at the home base.

#### BOOKS RECEIVED

(Continued from page 299)

Macmillan Company, New York.
"What Is Faith?" by J. Gresham Machen. Cloth,
251 pages, \$1.75.
Westminster Press, Philadelphia.
"The Epistle to the Romans," by Charles R. Erdman. Cloth, 160 pages, \$1.
Pligrim Press, Boston and Chicago.
"You Can Learn to Teach," by Margaret Slattery.
Cloth, 223 pages, \$1.35.
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"Why I Do Not Believe in the Organic Evolutionary Hypothesis," by Rev. James Edward Congdon, D. D. Paper, 31 pages, 10 cents.
"Forethought in Creation," by W. Bell Dawson, M. A., D. Sc., M. I. C. E., F. R. S. C. Paper, 31 pages, 10 cents.
Christian Alliance Publishing Company, New York.

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"The Bible: Its Christ and Modernism," by T. J. McCrossan, B. A., B. D. Cloth, 212 pages, \$1.50.

"The Life of David Brainerd," by Rev. Homer W. Hodge. Cloth, 201 pages, \$1.25.

Publication Office "Our Hope," New York.

"Song of Songs." Paper, 26 pages.

Johnson's Bookstore, Springfield, Mass.

"Understanding the Bible," by William G. Ballantine. Cloth 203 pages, \$1.50.

John C. Winston Company, Philadelphia, Pa.

"The Memoirs of William Jennings Bryan," by Himself and Mrs. Mary Baird Bryan. Cloth, 600 pages, \$3.75.

Ploneer Publishing Company, Fort Worth, Tex.

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"The New Testament Message," Volume I, by H. E. Dana, Th. D. Stiff cover, 96 pages, \$1.50.

"The New Testament Message," Volume II, by H. E. Dana, Th. D. Stiff cover, 94 pages, \$1.50.

Nazarene Publishing House, Kanasa City, Mo. "The Scriptural Sabbath," by Rev. H. G. Cowan. Paper, 109 pages, 50 cents.

Robson and Adee, Schenectady, N. Y. "War Abolition," by Harry P. Gibson. Cloth, 192 pages.

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Mrs. Henry J. Herge, 611 Tenth St., College Point, N. Y.
"Shall Jesus Find Faith on Earth?" by Henry J.
Herge, Cloth, 226 pages, \$1.50.
Homer Bradley Miller, Austin, Tex., and New-

Herge. Cloth, 220 pages, \$1.50.

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